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ANGLO-FRENCH OFFER TO SOVIET

THREE POWER MILITARY PACT

LONDON, APR. 20.
IT IS UNOFFICIALLY REPORTED IN ISTANBUL THAT THE ANGLO-TURKISH ANTI-AGGRESSION NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDED.

It has been learned from authoritative sources in Paris that Britain and France have also informed the Soviets, through the Soviet Ambassadors to London and Paris, both of whom are on their way to Moscow, that they are prepared to conclude a tri-power pact for military assistance with Moscow, even if Poland and Rumania do not agree to accept Soviet aid against aggression.

POLISH OBJECTIONS

Authoritative sources state that the pact is virtually completed, but negotiations are still proceeding to iron out the Polish and Rumanian objections to a line-up with the Soviet.

If these objections are maintained, Britain and France will conclude an "over-riding pact" under which the Soviet's aid would be utilised under a plan upon which the British, French and Soviet high commands will very soon hold conversations.

NO ORIENT GUARANTEE

The reports that Britain and France are prepared to guarantee the Soviet's Far Eastern frontiers are definitely untrue, diplomatic circles say.

They added that this is a subject upon which the United States "may have something to say."—United Press.

China As Democracy's Partner In Far East

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20.
CHINESE officials have welcomed the reports from London saying that China might be invited to join the anti-aggression front.

Well informed circles declare that this indicates that Britain and France have not yet completely centred their attention on Europe.

Typical comments to-day were: "It is well understood that peace is indivisible, and war in any area in the world must affect everywhere." "Peace, to be effective, must be world-wide."

Some quarters declare that the situation in China where war is already raging.

Bring Japan To Knees

The reality of a combination of a British, French, United States and Russian policy of anti-aggression would bring Japan to her knees in from three to six months.

The policy, they assert, should include an economic embargo against Japan, refusing to sell her the needed war goods and refusing to buy Japanese products, as well as positive aid to China.

Meanwhile official circles assert that in order to be effective the anti-aggression front must include China, because Japan is included in the Axis.

"They said Japan, Italy and Germany act in concert, and time their acts of aggression in accordance with the situation in other parts of the world."

"Britain and France should have a partner in the Far East to help them, in the event of war, from dispatching their strength first one way and then another, they declare."—United Press.

Japanese Reports Denied

London, Apr. 20.
The Japanese press reports that Britain has offered to mediate in the Sino-Japanese war have been officially denied here.—United Press.

Envoy Calls on Wang

Chungking, Apr. 20.
Sir Archibald Kerr, the British Ambassador to China, who arrived here from Kuning by plane yesterday, called on Dr. Wang

New Ship May Replace Paris

Fire On Liner Said
Due To Sabotage

PARIS, Apr. 20.
THE FRENCH Government, it is stated, reserves the right to decide whether to substitute the destroyed liner Paris by a new ship, adding that this would depend on the need and the prestige of the French mercantile marine for such a new unit.

Premier Daladier to-day received the Mercantile Marine Minister, M. de Chappedaine, who made a detailed report on the Paris disaster. Results of police investigations so far seem to indicate that the fire was due to arson.

Explaining the statement that the Government will decide whether to replace the Paris, it is pointed out that the Government owns more than 75 per cent of the Atlantic Company shares, and moreover, pays to the company an annual subsidy of 80,000,000 francs.—Trans-Ocean.

Normandie Bomb

New York, Apr. 20.
Officials of the French Line deny that a bomb was found aboard the s.s. Normandie.—United Press.

Quezon's Visit To U.S.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.—Reliable sources here state that President Manuel Quezon will issue a statement soon saying that he is unable to go to the United States during this session of Congress although he may be able to come later in the year.—United Press.

PREMIER TO MAKE STATEMENT

LONDON, Apr. 20.
DURING a discussion on the business of the day in the House of Commons, Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Opposition, asked the Premier if he would make a statement on the international situation at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain replied: "Yes. I shall be glad to do that."—Reuter.

NEW U.S. PROTEST Restrictions On The Yangtse

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.
ORAL REPRESENTATIONS to the Japanese Government have been made by Mr. Sumner Welles concerning the right of American citizens in the Upper Yangtse Valley.

Mr. Welles indicated to the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Hirohouchi, when the latter called at the State Department at Mr. Welles' request, the United States Government's dissatisfaction with what he described as the restrictions on Americans in that area.

Mr. Welles requested that the rights of United States businessmen and missionaries in the Upper Yangtse should be better respected.

Mr. Cordell Hull later indicated at a press conference that Mr. Joseph Grew, the United States Ambassador, to Tokyo might raise the matter with the Japanese Government.—Reuter.

Japan's Assurances

Tokyo, Apr. 21.
An assurance that Japan does not intend to extend her lines of defence to the Spratley Islands, which Japan recently took over, was given by Rear-Admiral Kanazawa, chief of the Admiralty Publicity Bureau.

He said the islands were useless for strategic purposes as they consisted mostly of dangerous reefs, with no facilities for sea or land planes.—Reuter.

DELPHINUS INCIDENT

Chinese Soldier Fires
On British Plane

THE R.M.A. Delphinus arrived in Hongkong early this morning with bullet holes through the starboard wing and tail fin.

After leaving Fort Bayard yesterday, bad weather forced the pilot to turn around, and he landed on a beach near Kwong-chowwan.

Apparently under the impression that a Japanese plane had landed, a Chinese soldier in the vicinity fired at the plane with a rifle. The bullet missed one of the petrol tanks by an inch, and it is probable that both holes were made by the one shot.

The plane carried two passengers, a Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt, who were bound for Hongkong.

Rejection Of Peace Plea

WASHINGTON
"DISAPPOINTED"

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.
AN OFFICIAL of the State Department declared that Signor Mussolini's rejection of President Roosevelt's proposals, while disappointing, might still leave room for co-operative action.

Should the President wish to pursue suggestions for guaranteed peace and the settlement of difficulties by the conference method, he might find a basis in the fact that there were some indications of peaceful intentions in Mussolini's response.

It is specifically noted that Mussolini did not altogether reject the idea of conferences, although he minimised the value of a large conference.

World Conference

The official said that President Roosevelt had got in mind a world conference on each of the three possible subjects, namely: disarmament, economic and political.

The largest conference he had in mind would be on economic questions. Disarmament would be limited to the extension of arms and political subjects would be confined to the European nations directly interested.

Hitler's Reply

Members of the State Department expect Herr Hitler's reply to follow on the lines of Mussolini's, but that it will be much longer, and will refer to replies likely to be received from the Balkan nations, to whom Hitler has posed the diplomatic question whether they feel themselves to be threatened by Germany.—Reuter.

London Impressed

London, Apr. 20.
The London evening papers comment favourably on the provisional reply made to-day by Mr. Duce to the Roosevelt message.

All the headlines emphasise that Mussolini wants peace and not war. The diplomatic correspondent of the "Evening Standard," dealing with Mr. Duce's speech, comes to the conclusion that Italy does not altogether agree with the present German policy.—Trans-Ocean.

Envoy Not To Return Yet

NEW YORK, Apr. 20.—President Roosevelt will await Herr Hitler's answer to his peace appeal before taking any action with regard to the sending back of Ambassador Wilson to his post in Berlin, according to "informed sources" quoted by the Associated Press.—Reuter.

Mussolini's Speech

Rome, Apr. 20.
Replying to President Roosevelt's appeal, in a speech at Campo d'Oro, Signor Mussolini said: "It is absurd to place the Axis powers on the bench of accused."

"We reply to this message by saying that Italy and Germany are working for peace. We do not want to attack anyone. We want to be left to work in peace."

Mussolini condemned the "hysteria" which is gripping certain circles.—United Press.

U.S. NAVY UNDER WAY

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA, Apr. 20.—The United States battle fleet left Hampton Roads at 6.35 this morning to commence passage through the Panama Canal to the Pacific.—United Press.

NEW STAGE IN LONDON PREPAREDNESS

Ministry of Supply Set Up In Britain

LONDON, Apr. 20.

IN THE House of Commons to-day Mr. Chamberlain announced the creation of a Ministry of Supply, as the latest step in British preparedness.

The new Ministry will take over war stores and will be responsible for the purchases and maintenance of reserves of essential metals and other raw materials.

The Minister of Supplies will be Mr. Leslie Burgin, who will be given full Cabinet rank.

He will deal with problems of army supplies, concentrating on the territorial army generally, because the Army and Navy accounts are all in fighting shape under Government orders.—United Press.

IMMEDIATE MEASURE

LONDON, Apr. 20.
Mr. Neville Chamberlain announced that a Bill to be introduced as soon as possible to establish a Ministry of Supply under a Minister who would be a member of the Cabinet.

The Bill will be framed so as to enable a Ministry of Supply in the full sense to be set up. The Ministry would take over the responsibility for certain stores of general use, which the War Office already supplied to other departments, including certain civil defence requirements.

It was a splendid system which would be progressively extended as found desirable.

The Ministry would deal with the problems of the army supply which was now considerably expanded by recent decisions to increase the army strength.

Acquisition Of Reserves

The new Ministry would also take over responsibility for the acquisition and maintenance of reserves of essential metals and other raw materials required in connection with the defence programme.

Branches transferred from the War Office to the Ministry would include those responsible for research, design and experiment, production and inspection, and the Royal Ordnance factories.

There would be provision to secure priority for Government orders. It was proposed to establish a Ministry of Priority Committee on the lines of the committee which, towards the end of the Great War, performed the duty of settling questions of priority resulting from the demands of the several services.

Dr. E. L. Burgin, present Minister for Transport, would be the Minister of Supply.

Opposition Doubts

Mr. Clement Attlee asked why the new Ministry should deal only with War Office requirements.

Mr. Chamberlain replied that the reason was that present arrangements for supply in connection with the territorial army were working so extremely well, that it was felt that to interfere with those arrangements would reduce, instead of increase, output. The Bill, however, would enable a Ministry of Supply in the full sense to be set up if considered desirable at any time.

Mr. Chamberlain said there would be a new Minister for Transport.—Reuter.

APPEAL TO CATHOLICS

Pope Asks For
Prayers For Peace

Vatican City, Apr. 20.
THE POPE has issued a pastoral letter inviting Catholics throughout the world to pray for world peace during the month of May.—United Press.

Beatification Of Pope

Vatican City, Apr. 20.
The Pope has given instructions to Cardinal Salotti to speed up the preliminary investigation in connection with the beatification of Pope Pius XI, and to submit a report on the subject at the earliest possible date.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITAIN DECIDES 'NO DEEP SHELTERS'

LONDON, Apr. 20.

THE CONFERENCE appointed in February under the chairmanship of Lord Hailey, to advise Sir John Anderson on air raid shelters, states in a report just issued as a White Paper, that it opposes the provision of deep bomb-proof shelters for the whole of the civil population, and favours a policy of dispersed shelters, giving protection against blast, splinters, and falling debris.

Reich Wins Turk Contract

ANKARA, Apr. 20.—After keen competition from British and Dutch firms, a German group has obtained a contract from the Turkish Government for the construction of an up-to-date Turkish naval base at Gueljukon, in the Gulf of Ismid.

The contract involves the expenditure of nearly £2,500,000.

The Dutch concern which submitted a tender, had worked for three years on plans for the new naval base.—Reuter.

MYSTERY SUBMARINE

Canadian Warships
Ordered To Search

OTTAWA, Apr. 20.
THE Defence Minister, Mr. Ian Mackenzie, has announced that four naval vessels have been assigned to search for a mysterious submarine which has been reported to be patrolling near Halifax.

The Deputy Minister has disclosed that the destroyers Skeena and Saguenay and the minesweepers Gaspe and Fundy are at present patrolling the area. The air base at Dartmouth is also co-operating in the search.

The submarine is said to have been hovering in northern waters for more than a week.

Canadian navy officials admit that they possess information that a submarine was sighted "a stone's throw" from Camperdown, near the wireless station at the mouth of Halifax harbour.

Rumours that the United States coastguard champion was en route to take part in the search were dispelled when the vessel went to impartial five miles outside of the harbour for fuelling purposes.—United Press.

ENTERED HARBOUR?

Ottawa, Apr. 20.
Mr. Mackenzie, the Canadian Defence Minister, states that the utmost vigilance is being exercised to establish whether the submarine did, as reported by Captain Lattin, veteran Halifax pilot, enter Halifax harbour yesterday.

He said that as yet his department had no confirmation of the report.—Reuter.

The report states: "This policy represents the means whereby measures, affording a considerable degree of protection, can be completed within a reasonable time, which seems of crucial importance."

The Objections

The three main reasons given in the report for opposition to deep bomb-proof shelters are:

1. Diversion of material, effort and money from active defence.
2. Technical difficulties of constructing a shelter system which would guarantee speedy and sufficient access to the population which would want to use it.
3. The time factor of construction.

The report adds that it is estimated that it would require two years to construct 16 miles of shelter tunnels in London, and this would only provide shelter for 160,000 persons. The report endorses the advice given to Sir John Anderson concerning the value of steel shelters, and a design for strengthening basements.

Commons Debate

In the House of Commons, Sir John Anderson, announcing his A.R.P. shelter policy, declared that deep or bomb-proof shelters for the PLEASE Turn To Page 4.

LATEST

Daring City Hold-Up

A daring attempt at highway robbery in the heart of the city was frustrated shortly after midnight by the use of a police whistle by the intended victim, a Chinese.

The incident occurred outside the Gloucester Hotel, in Des Voeux Road Central.

According to a police report, five men suddenly approached a well-dressed Chinese outside the Gloucester Hotel and were about to attack him when he produced his police whistle.

After momentarily hesitating, the five men turned tail and fled.

When police rushed up in response to the shrill blasts from the whistle, which also brought a large number of people out of the Gloucester, they were informed of the incident.

A cordon was immediately thrown around the central district, which was combed for the robbers.

Half an hour after the incident four suspects were arrested.

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Further Late News

TORE UP SECRET PLANS—THEN WROTE A POEM IN GAOL

WILLIAM HENRY DUPEN, AN ENGINEER, WALKED INTO THE OFFICE OF WORKS, SEIZED SOME SECRET PLANS AND TORE THEM UP. AND HE SAYS HE HAS NO REGRETS.

Even the time he spent in a police cell he enjoyed. While he was there he wrote an "Ode to Bow-street," where he was sentenced recently to a day's imprisonment and ordered to pay £5 costs.

He offered the court a silver cup in payment: this was refused.

In court, Dupen, who lives at Kinfauns-road, Goodmayes, Ilford, told the magistrate, Sir Rollo Graham-Campbell, that he tore up the plans as a protest after being "jockeyed out of his job" at the Office of Works.

When he was released, after the court rose, he talked about his experience.

A short, grey-haired man, aged 50, he was dressed in a double-breasted jacket and farmer's gaiters.

"I spent the time in the cells quite comfortably," he said, a smile playing round his humorous mouth.

"While I was there I wrote this little ode, which I am calling 'An Ode to Bow-street.'"

ENJOYED THE RIDE
Drawing a magazine from a pocket bulging with engineer's blue prints and other documents, Mr. Dupen showed me the fruit of his time in the cells, scrawled in the margin:

I spent a day in a government cell,
For which I must pay £5 as well.
As one of the competent unemployed,

I gave some work to the Government boys,
I tore up some of Whitehall's plans,
Enjoyed a ride in one of their vans,
Lived, in fact, on the fat of the land,

So now I will soon be "a leading hand"
In this busy part of the "Better Land."

"Not perfect," Mr. Dupen remarked, "but you can't get that perfect polish in a police cell."

"Even Oscar Wilde and Horatio Bottomley didn't do their best work in prison."

Mr. Dupen has no regrets about having torn up the secret plans, "I did it as a protest," he said. "I have worked all my life, and up to the slump in 1931 was doing quite well."

OFFER REFUSED
"I took on a temporary job at the Office of Works, but got jockeyed out of it after three years."

"With all this extra work being done on national defence, I thought there was room for me, but I was told to 'Shove off' when I applied."

"When I offered to redraw the plans—part of my work is draughts-

manship—they told me they were secret, and I could not be allowed to see them."

"One was a plan of naval buildings."

At his home, where he lives with his wife, two sons and two daughters, Mr. Dupen has a workshop where he is perfecting devices which he claims would be of invaluable use in war time.

TORPEDO CLAIM
One is a coupling device to transmit power between moving units of a machine. Another is a steam turbine which he claims will increase the speed and range of submarines.

Spreading blue prints out before him, and unwrapping part of a working model which he was carrying in his overcoat pocket, he launched into a technical explanation about "double oscillating cylinders," "crankshafts," and steam pressures.

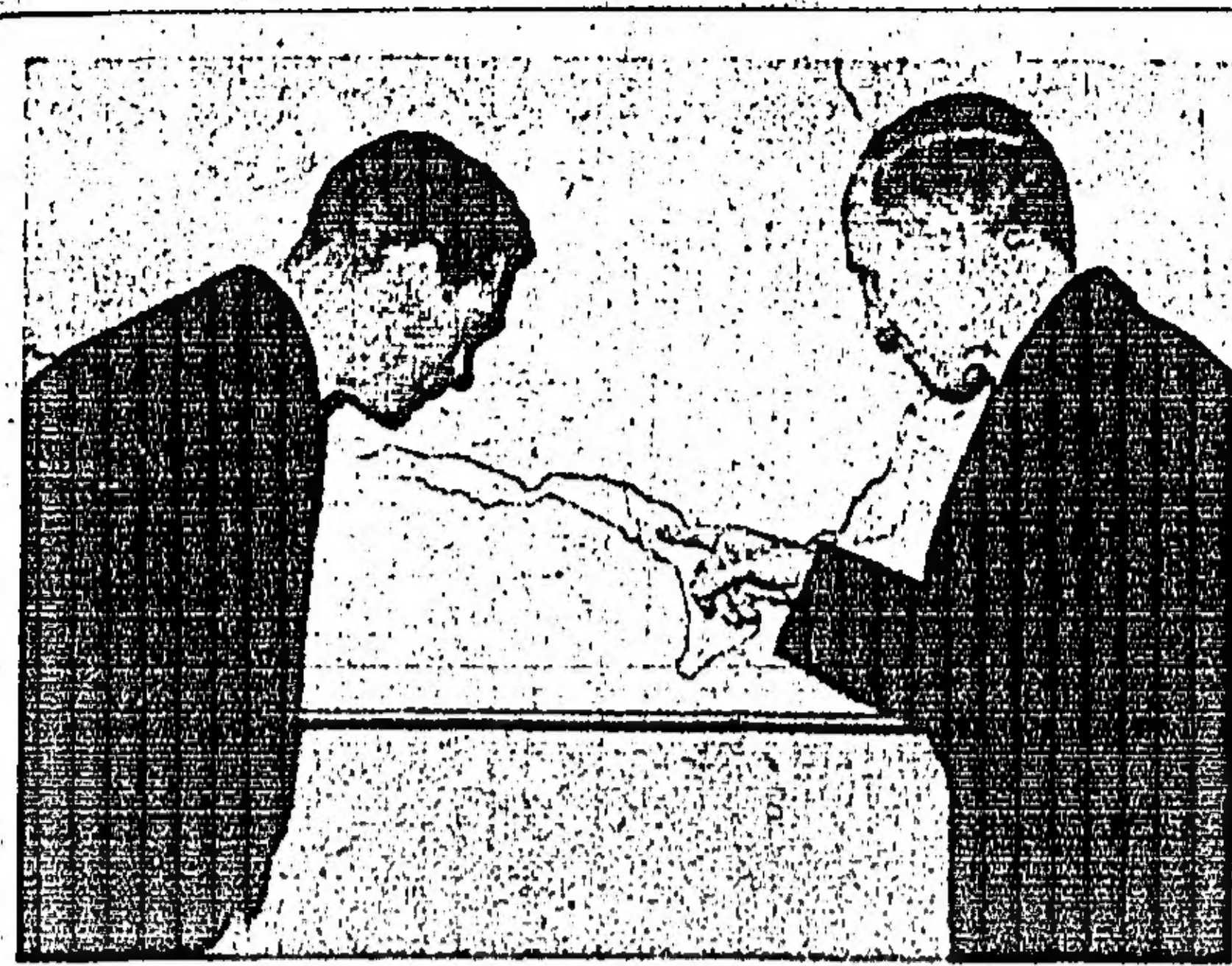
He can obtain 5 horse-power for every 20lb. weight of engine, he said, as against the present rate of 5 horse-power for every 25lb. weight of petrol motor.

"Sergeant did 120 m.p.h. on water," he said, "but I think we could get up to 200 m.p.h."

When you think that torpedoes now travel at about 40 m.p.h. you will realise the importance of this idea. I think I could not only increase the speed, but my torpedo would travel for twice as long as the present one, which only goes for about eight minutes."

IT'S FUN, ANYWAY
Without any of the unsuccessful inventor's passionate belief that he can revolutionise the world, Mr. Dupen scooped up his plans and materials and said, with another wry smile, "Well, anyway, it keeps me amused, and it's great fun making models."

A silver cup which he offered in court in part payment of his costs—was refused—is a trophy he won in a shooting competition when he was a sergeant in the City of London Regt.



The King visited the British Industries Fair at Earl's Court. Our picture shows His Majesty with the Hon. Vincent Massey, the Canadian High Commissioner, who is pointing out on a large-scale map the Lake Superior township of Sault Ste. Marie. Its 23,000 inhabitants are preparing to travel the 180 miles to Franz, the nearest railway station, in order to see the King and Queen when they visit Canada this summer.

"Met In Film Studio"

AN ACTION FOR SLANDER IS BEING BROUGHT AGAINST SIR OSWALD MOSLEY, 43-YEARS-OLD LEADER OF THE BRITISH UNION OF FASCISTS, BY A 24-YEARS-OLD ACTRESS, MISS MARY TAVERNAN, OF LINTON HOUSE, HOLLAND PARK AVENUE, W.11.

Sir Oswald Mosley's address is given as Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith-street, London, S.W.1.

Service of the writ has been accepted on his behalf by Messrs. Langton and Passmore, of Bolton-street, London, W.1. Plaintiff's solicitors are Messrs. George Hindle, of Piccadilly.

BEAUTY
Miss Mary Tavernan, the plaintiff, who lives with her mother in a West End luxury flat, is a noted society beauty, and has appeared on the stage and in several films.

Miss Tavernan said that she first met Sir Oswald six years ago, and at one time was a member of the British Union of Fascists.

"We met at a film studio at Elstree in 1933, when the late Mr. Ludwig Blattner, the producer, was

discussing the production of a new film with me."

"We became friends and met several times."

"BABY PAVLOVA"
Miss Tavernan, who as a child appeared in ballet at Covent Garden and was known as the "Baby Pavlova," appeared in several films as a juvenile lead with Maurice Elvey, including "The Scarlet Pimpernel" and "Dorothy and Joan."

Recently she appeared in a play, "Royal Scapgoat," which was produced at the Twentieth Century Theatre.

Sir Oswald Mosley is at present away on holiday. A secretary said "Of course, Sir Oswald will defend the action."

Schoolboy Sues Master For Assault

AN 11-year-old schoolboy, who alleged that he had been assaulted by the master of an L.C.C. school, was plaintiff in an action before Mr. Justice Humphreys and a special jury in the King's Bench Division recently.

Alfred John Hyde who lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred George Hyde, of Beresford Road, Newington Green Road, N., claimed damages from the L.C.C. and Mr. George Harry Jarvis, the master. Mr. and Mrs. Hyde were also plaintiffs, asking to be reimbursed certain expenses.

The boy's case was that while he was at the Newington Green Junior Boys' School he was struck by Mr. Jarvis and fell on a desk, injuring his nose.

The L.C.C. and Mr. Jarvis denied the assault and pleaded that Hyde tripped and fell against the desk.

The boy, in his evidence, had said he was told by Mr. Jarvis to collect some books and was a bit slow "so he hit me on the side of the head with his open hand and I fell against a desk."

FOR JUDGES ONLY
The Judge: They have not, by Act of Parliament, abolished the right of a master to chastise a boy?

Mr. Russell Wicks, K.C. (for the boy): I don't think so.

Mr. Justice Humphreys: I know it is strongly disapproved in some circles. I think it is only judges who in future may not be allowed to order such punishment! (Laughter.)

Mrs. Hyde, in evidence, said that when she called to see Mr. Jarvis about the incident he admitted that he lost his temper.

The hearing was adjourned.

Boy Gives His Arm For Dove

Thirteen-year-old Bob Wilson was indignant when he found that some of his boy friends had a nest with a tiny dove in it.

For they had taken it from a tree-top in Whitmore Square, Adelaide, South Australia.

There was a scuffle. Finally Bob secured the nest with the fledgling still in it and climbed twenty feet to replace it on the tree-top.

A tough broke and he fell to the ground, breaking his left arm. And now the arm has had to be amputated to prevent the spread of infection.

"I wanted to be a sailor, but I won't be much good at that now," Bob said after the operation.

General Store Rolls

Wickford Junction, R. 1.

The general store "went for a ride" recently causing anxious shoppers to follow its progress along the street for a half-mile or more. The building, 30 by 40 feet, rolled to its new location along a four-lane highway.

EMPIRE NEWS

MYSTERY 'PLANE AT CAPE TOWN

CAPE TOWN.
There is considerable mystery locally concerning an unknown aeroplane seen flying above Cape Town in bright moonlight recently.

No local machines were then flying. It was thought that the machine might be from the German aeroplane service ship Schwabenland, 8,188 tons, belonging to the Lufthansa company, which at that time was 300 miles off Cape Town.

The Schwabenland, which arrived from the Antarctic, carries two seaplanes and catapult apparatus.

It is denied by the Schwabenland that her 'planes made any flights.

A question was asked in the Assembly yesterday as to whether an express invitation had been given by the Government to three German air force officers who recently flew to South Africa and South-West Africa.

Mr. Pirow, Minister of Defence, replied in the negative.

Broadcasts from Europe.—Replying to a question in the House of Assembly to-day, Senator C. F. Clarkson, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, said that at present no check was kept on broadcasts to South Africa by European countries, and, whether they contained news of propaganda they were not transcribed. The matter, however, was receiving attention.

AUSTRALIA
TRADE UNIONS AND DEFENCE

SYDNEY.
While Australia is in the midst of an enormous defence effort the All-Australian Trade Union Congress recently decided to refuse to collaborate with the Lyons Ministry programme, "on the ground that the Ministry has allied itself with Mr. Chamberlain's appeasement policy."

INDIA
ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS FUND £570,000

CALCUTTA.
With receipts from contributions reaching a figure of over £570,000, the Marchioness of Linlithgow's appeal for the King-Emperor's Anti-Tuberculosis Fund has now been closed.

Kenya Censure Motion.—The House of Assembly at New Delhi recently passed, without a division, the Congress Party's adjournment motion of censure of the Government for failure to secure an amendment of the reservation policy regarding the Kenya Highlands.—*Reuter.*

NEW ZEALAND
SOCIALIST PARTY CONFERENCE

AUCKLAND.
Widespread interest is being taken in the annual conference of the Socialist party to be held in Wellington from April 10 to 13. All records have been broken in the number of nominations for the various offices.

A large number of resolutions will be debated, dealing with the constitution and rules. This conference is the only one at which such matters can be dealt with until after the next general election.

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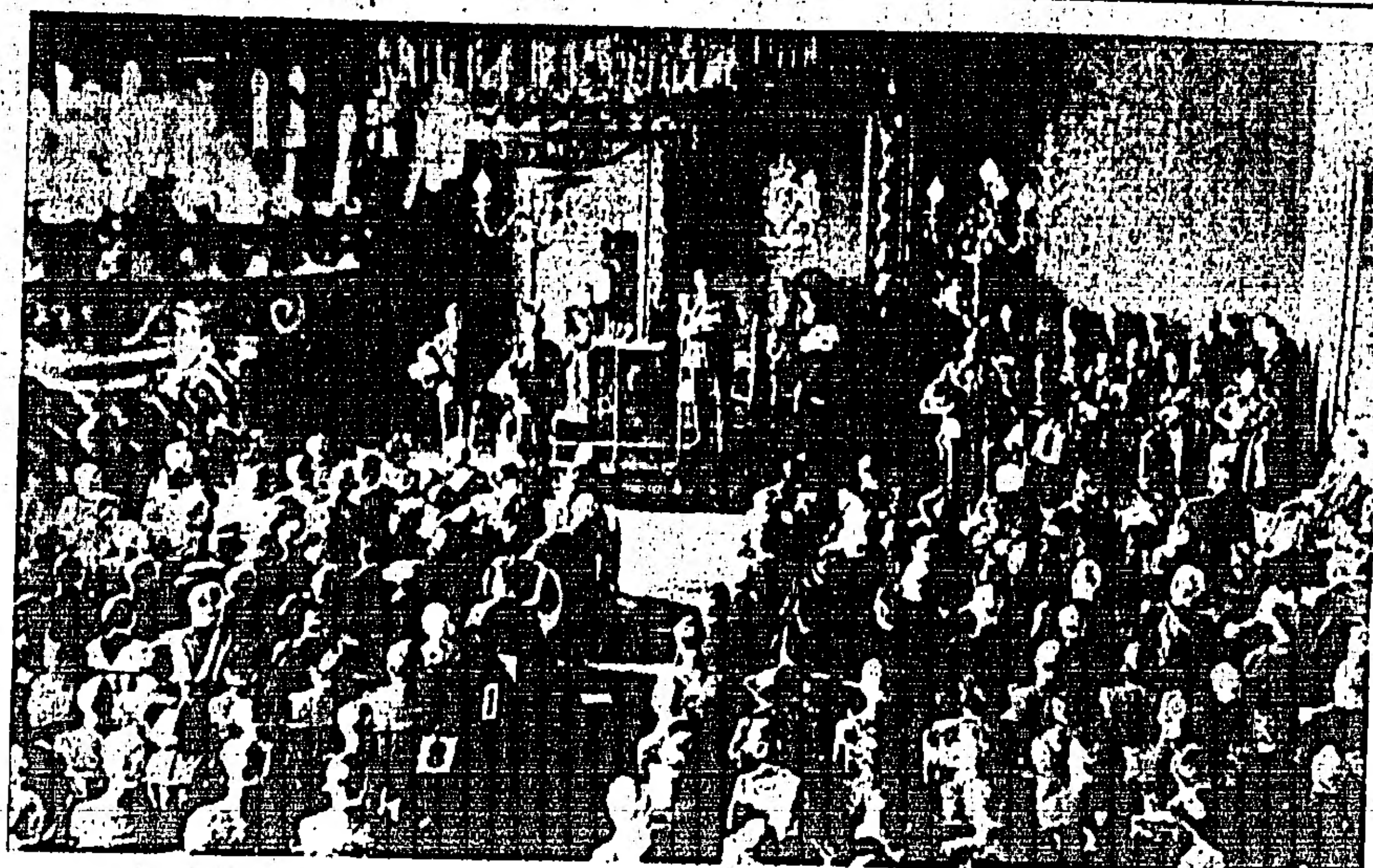
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Proclaiming the new constitution of Malta: The Governor, Sir Charles Bonham-Carter (standing on the dais in centre background), making the announcement in the old palace at Valletta. The Letters Patent, granting a new Constitution, were recently promulgated by the Governor, General Sir Charles Bonham-Carter. Under this system there will be a Council of 20 members—8 official, 2 nominated, and 10 elected. The Governor will preside with a casting vote, and will have the right to speak. Ecclesiastics are precluded from membership. Its business will be conducted in English, but those without adequate English may use Maltese, their words being translated by an interpreter. English is to be the official language of the Administration, and Maltese that of the Courts.

Women P.C.s Must Be Free To Wed, Says M.P.

WOMEN police recently found a new champion for their marriage rights when Dr. Edith Summerskill, Socialist M.P., asked the House to modify recruiting regulations.

Women police, it is claimed, have to pledge themselves on enlisting that they will not marry, or, if they do, that they will leave the force.

Dr. Summerskill asked the Home Secretary for new regulations permitting married women to join the force or to get married without relinquishing their jobs.

She maintained that the existing ban is one of the reasons why the force is under strength.

Dr. Summerskill's question was the first blow in a general campaign which is to be fought for

married women in many professions.

The marriage ban on women civil servants will also be raised in the House. It is claimed that many women typists and clerks are forced

SEA HARE

Exercising his dogs recently on the beach near Southwold, Mr. Harry Alderton saw a hare on the shingle ahead of him.

He shouted to frighten it back to the fields fringing the beach. Instead, the hare bounded into the sea and swam out, followed by the dogs.

After the hare had gone about 400 yards, the dogs, out-distanced, gave up the chase. Their quarry returned to the beach at another point and escaped inland.

to keep their marriages a secret from Whitehall authorities. The marriage rights of nurses and school-teachers will also come under discussion.

PARIS FASHION NEWS

BEACH WEAR 'GOES PIRATE'

PARIS. BEACHES will be gay with pirates this summer, if Paris fashion dictators have their way.

There is a dashing buccaneer flavour about much of the beach wear, shown in draped panties in "doublons," "Long John Silver" knee-stop shorts, and three-quarter-length, bos'n trousers.

Slacks are narrower this season, and have deserted the conservative one-colour linens and flannels to be colourful in plaids, enormous checks, and stripes.

Shorts, too, are narrower and more like schoolboy's slacks.

Abbreviated play-shirts over contrasting shorts are still popular, this season worn with neat shirt blouses or boleros that conceal a sun-bathing top.

Besides the severely tailored, colourful jackets worn with slacks, there are above-the-knee or flared shantung, which have sun-bathing tops to match.

Loose silk shirts made like men's shirts slit at the sides, are also worn outside slacks or shorts.

A new version of the more dignified ankle-length beach gown is a trouser skirt in flowered material. This slips off to reveal neat trunks or rompers underneath.

Wool is more and more the vogue for beach wear, in flowered lightweight materials that are at once airy and comfortable to wear after bathing.

Bathing suits have gone tartan or may be brightly striped or boldly checked.

Beach bags resemble blanket rolls

or carpet bags of the American civil war period. Wool bonnet coiffures and peasant handkerchiefs vie with huge cartwheel sun-hats and Mexican brims.

Beach jewellery includes tinted porcelain necklaces of shellfish—pale pink lobsters, green clams, nautilus—and flowers.

"ONLY-CHILD" NEUROSIS

A vigorous attack on flats and flat life, and on what he called "only children" and suburban neurosis, was made by Sir Walter Langdon-Brown recently.

He was addressing the joint conference of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association and the Cambridge research branch of the Council for the Preservation of Rural England at Trinity College, Cambridge.

"The increase in flats and the fall of the birth rate are not merely coincidental," he said. "Only-childism has become a prevalent form of neurosis."

"STUNTS THE MIND"

The huge mushroom dormitories which were springing up all round London, also produced problems of their own. "The absence of communal life, of social interests, of civic centres, lead to a deadness which must react unfavourably on the existence of the inhabitants," he added. "No wonder the mass enthusiasm of cup ties, greyhound racing and the excitements of the football pools have such an appeal."

Declaring that garden cities were the answer to many of the psychological discontents, Sir Walter remarked: "Since the war we have allowed the slum which stunts the body to be replaced by the slum which stunts the mind."

JOHN ROWLAND IS BABY OF THE CITY

THE first baby boy to be born during more than fifty years in the City Greenyard, where the Lord Mayor's coach is kept, was carried across Fore-street to the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate, recently to be baptised.

They called him John Rowland Burbidge. His father is the Superintendent of the City Greenyard, and John Rowland was named after one of the City Sheriffs, Mr. Frederick Rowland.

John Rowland is now the youngest citizen in the greatest city in the world, the City of London, whose 9,333 inhabitants share between them a tradition of nearly ten unbroken centuries.

In the church in which he was baptised Oliver Cromwell was married; Milton lies there, and so does Sir Martin Froisher, who fought against the Spanish Armada.

Mr. Albert King, the vergor, who prepared the font for the ceremony, was born in the Greenyard and was baptised in the same font—so were his father and grandfather. Young John Rowland's grandfather was baptised there, too, and his great-grandfather.

And when John Rowland grows up and marries you can depend upon it that his children will be baptised in this church, which has received the City's babies these last 800 years.

YOU CAN GROW A COALIE-FLOWER

Do you know what a coalie-flower is? It is the newest thing in table decoration, and is spreading through England. This is how you can grow one:

Mix a small bottle of red ink (2d. size) with three table spoons of household ammonia, two tablespoons of salt, three packets of a special powder blue, and three-tablespoons of cold water.

Then place four or five pieces of coal, about the size of small oranges, in a glass bowl, and pour the mixture over them.

If you stand the bowl in a warm place and add a tablespoon of water and a teaspoon of salt every second day you will soon have a bowl full of pretty coalie-flower—a coral-like growth.

Artificial Earthquakes For New Zealand

Auckland. New Zealand is soon to experience some artificial earthquakes as well as the real ones which occasionally rock parts of the country.

The artificial 'quakes' will be quite harmless, however, and will help in the quest for oil on the west coast of the North Island.

Details of this novel oil-searching method were given by Mr. R. C. Clark, a physicist in the employ of the Standard Oil Company of America, when he arrived here from the United States.

He will be in charge of the seismological party that will shortly conduct surveys on the North Island.

Since he graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1927, Mr. Clark has specialised in this class of work, and with teams of scientific earthquake-makers he has traversed the oilfields of Louisiana, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado and many other states.

The general idea, behind the Seismological work to be done is creation of miniature earthquakes by setting off small dynamite charges at various depths, he explained.

The vibrations set up by the concussions travelled through the earth, were reflected from certain formations such as limestone, and recorded on special equipment used for that precise purpose.

The data gathered in this way enabled him to say what geological structures lay beneath the ground

surface, and to determine their locations.

This was an essential part of modern prospecting methods, since there must be some form of geological structure forming reservoirs for oil accumulations.

"In no sense do we discover oil," Mr. Clark said. "We merely locate subterranean structures favourable to the accumulation of oil."

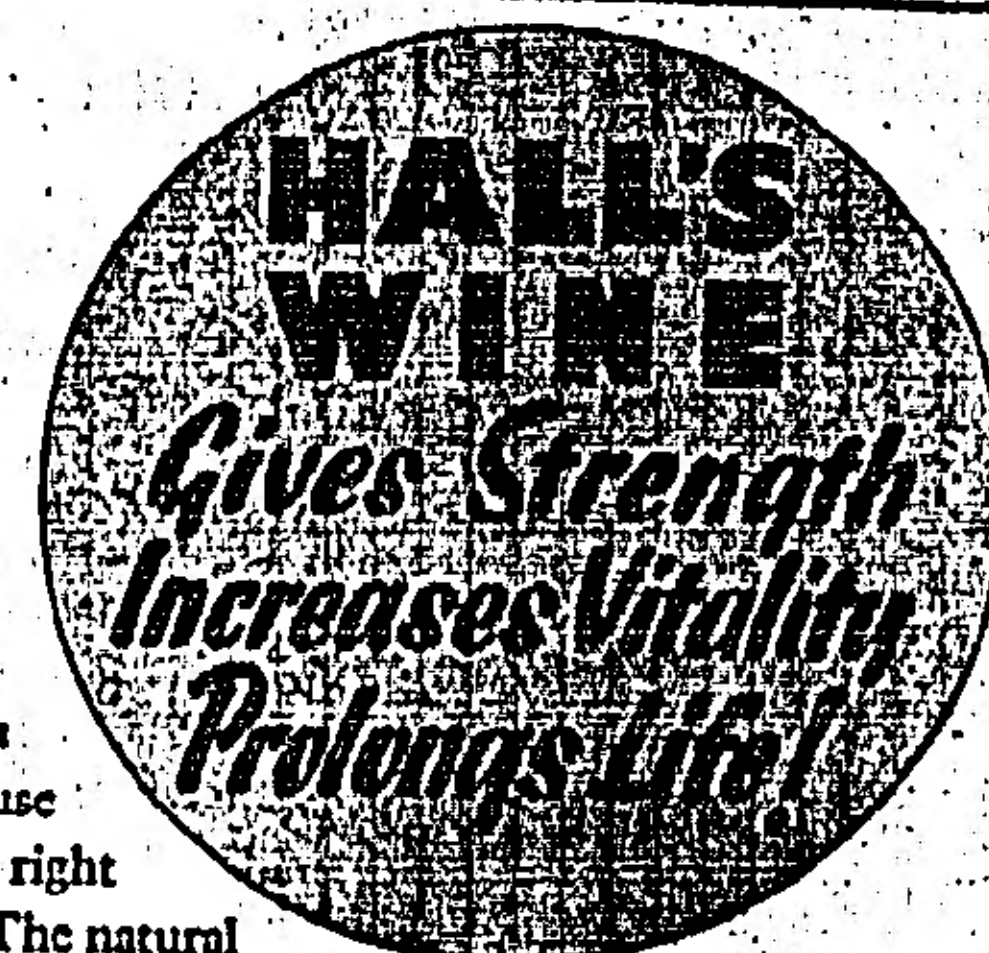
CHILDREN WHO WON'T EAT

There's nothing so wearing for a mother as a child who won't eat well. Usually such a child is the "nervy" highly-strung type. He picks at his food, looks pale and loses weight.

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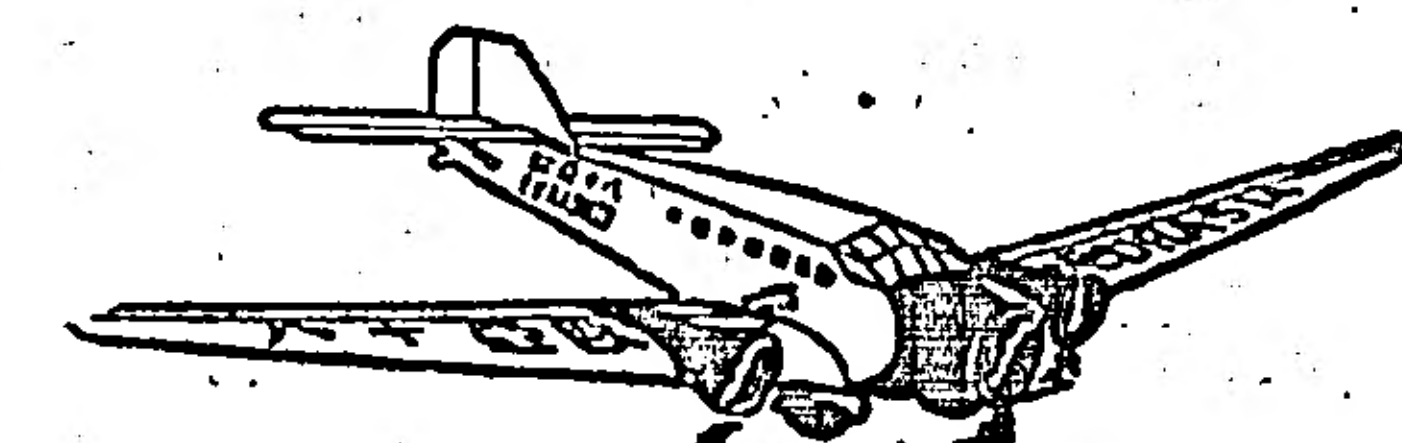
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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday, says:

A further large parcel of H.K. Banks were placed at \$1.355, Kowloon Wharves came to business at \$90, Lands at \$32/32 1/2, Trams at \$18.50 and Ferries at the reduced rate of \$95. Enquiries filtering into the market are over a slightly broader area, but buyers and sellers prices are at the present rather too divergent to lead to any good volume of trading.

Douglases	Buyers
H.K. Steamships \$12	
H.K. & K. Wharves \$90	
H. & S. Hotels \$5	
H.K. Lands \$32	
H.K. Trams \$18.50	
H.K. Ferries \$95 1/2	
Canton Ice \$1	
Entertainment \$6.40	
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 2 1/2% prem.	
Union Insurance \$100	
Telephone (Old) \$22 1/2	
Hongkong Bank \$1.355	
China Underwriters \$1.30	
H.K. & K. Wharves \$90	
Provident \$4	
H.K. Lands \$32/32 1/2	
H.K. Trams \$18.50	
Star Ferries \$55	
Genbank \$10	
Antanaka \$1.315	
Alaka \$1.295	
British Gold \$1.235	
Benjamin Condit \$1.110	
Coco Grove \$1.21	
Democratization \$1.135	
Hogons \$1.21	
North Commines \$1.15	
San Martin \$1.150	
Ruyce \$1.15	
United Paracels \$1.50	

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 22nd April, to Wednesday, 26th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 12th April, 1939.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Third Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Head Office, No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, April 22nd, 1939, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The Transfer Register will be closed from April 10th to 22nd, 1939 inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. Y. TANG,
Chief Manager.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Power-of-Attorney granted by the undersigned to Iqbal Mahan Singh on the 23rd March, 1936 as well as all Powers-of-Attorney given by the said Iqbal Mahan Singh under the substitution clause in the original Power has or have been revoked. All creditors in respect of liabilities incurred by the said Iqbal Mahan Singh are requested to present their claims to the undersigned within two weeks from the date hereof, after which date no claims will be recognised.

Dated the 19th day of April, 1939.

MAHAN SINGH,
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Ground Floor.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES AND UNDERWRITERS

S/S "SONTAY"

5th Voyage 1939.

Notice is hereby given that the above mentioned having grounded on the 15th of March, 1939, off Djibouti, general average has been declared on all cargo on board.

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong loaded previous to this accident, are hereby requested to sign a general average bond supported by two copies of the original invoices and pay a 6% average deposit on the C.I.F. value of the goods before the cargo can be delivered.

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R. OHL,

Agent.

Hongkong, the 20th April, 1939.

Henderson To Return To Reich

LONDON, Apr. 20.—"The British Ambassador to Berlin was granted a short period of leave after completion of his report on the situation, and will, before long, return to his post," stated the Prime Minister in a written reply to a question in the House of Commons to-day.—Reuter Special.

A WAR OF WORDS

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But those "blessings" must be shouted from the housetops for all the world to hear. Only by doing so can the people of the Continent learn that we are not so effete and decrepit as they have been led to believe we are. Only by doing so can we counter the insidious propaganda which is producing "jitterbugs" in our midst.

Dealing with this very subject, a clever American recently said to me, "If democracy is ever to regain the virility it had only a generation ago, it must learn to sell itself to its own people, to dramatise itself, and to make itself tangible and visible to the ordinary citizen."

Here is the crux of the whole matter. Totalitarianism is oversold; democracy is undersold.

Euan Hird.

Social Items

The wedding took place before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, at the Registry yesterday, between Mr. Tong Tak-cho, clerk of Yee Tsong Tobacco Distributors Ltd., and Miss Ito Chai-kwai, who has been residing at the Luk Tung Hotel. The witnesses were Mrs. Leung Fung-shi and Mr. Tong Chun-chung.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:
Mr. Vincent Hubert Charles Jarrett, assistant editor, South China Morning Post, to Miss Ethel Ruth Wennech Smyth, of 23 Peak Mansions, Captain Francis James Wylie, a.s., of 2 Thorpe Mansions, May Road, to Miss Pamela Dorothy Barrow, of 14 Portman Mansions, London, W.1., who is en route to the Colony on the Ranchi; and Mr. Harold Wilson Brown, engineer, to Miss Constance Una Mitchell, of 3 Austin Avenue, Kowloon.

The wedding took place recently at St. George's Church, Penang, of Mr. Arthur Charles Buckley, only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Buckley of Sutton, Surrey, England, and Miss Edrys Daphne Lupprian, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. V. Lupprian of Penang. The bridegroom is Secretary of Kennedy, Burkill and Co. Ltd., Penang.

A quiet wedding took place at Chishwick Methodist Church on April 8 of Miss Kathleen Crook, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Crook, formerly of Hongkong and now of Shanghai, to Mr. John Saxton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Saxton, of Old Sawley, Northamptonshire. Mr. Saxton was formerly Headmaster of Queen's College, Hongkong, and a well-known natural historian and tennis player.

BEGGARS IN KOWLOON

Refugee Accosts People In Free Hours

Arrested for begging in Granville Road on Wednesday, Yeung Shu, 30, was discovered to be a banished and refugee from the Ma Tau Chung camp.

Yeung was charged with begging and breach of the Deportation Ordinance before Mr. E. Himsworth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday and was sentenced to four months' hard labour on the charges. It was said that Yeung was allowed to leave the camp for recreation and apparently took opportunity of this freedom to beg.

Yeung was banished for 10 years in September. He had three previous convictions for begging. Blinded Beggar Returned
Hung Sing, 18, said to be blind, appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen charged with begging in Nathan Road on April 18. He was bound over in \$3 for a year and ordered to be sent back to Tung Kun, near the border.

Hung said he had previously practised as a fortune teller in that district. Banished Gaoled
Said to have returned from Shum Chun, Tong, Lai, 28, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. Macfadyen for a breach of the Deportation Ordinance. Tong was banished for 10 years in January and was arrested in Kowloon on April 18.

KNIFED HIS FRIEND

Wounding Allegation In Kowloon Court

At the request of Detective Sub-Inspector C. T. Byron, Mak Kit, 40, was remanded for a week by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday on a charge of wounding Wong, Ngo, in Pei Ho Street, on Saturday.

Mak was alleged to have attacked Wong, said to be a friend of 10 years' standing, with a butcher's knife. Wong is now in hospital but his condition is now not serious.

Mak was granted bail of \$50.

U. S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

	New York, Apr. 20.	
New York Cotton		
May	8.23/22	8.22/23
July	7.83/83	7.81/81
Oct.	7.43/43	7.42/42
Dec.	7.34/34	7.33/34
Jan.	7.34b/35a	7.32/32
Mar.	7.40/40	7.39/39
Spot		7.37/37

The First Notice Day for May Cotton is April 25th, and the last Day is May 10th.

	New York Rubber	
May	15.95/80	15.83/83
Sept.	15.95/80	15.88/88
Dec.	15.95/80	15.90/80
Mar.		15.94/94

The First Notice Day for May rubber is April 27th, and the last Day May 1st.

To-day's Sales:—2,460 tons.

	Chicago Wheat	
May	89 1/2/89 3/4	89 1/2/89 3/4
July	88 1/2/88 3/4	88 1/2/88 3/4
Sept.	88 1/2/88 3/4	88 1/2/88 3/4

Wednesday's Sales:—6,891,000 bushels.

	Chicago Corn	
May	40 1/2/40 3/4	40 1/2/40 3/4
July	39 1/2/39 3/4	39 1/2/39 3/4
Sept.	38 1/2/38 3/4	38 1/2/38 3/4

Winipeg Wheat
May 61 1/2/61 3/4 61 1/2/61 3/4
July 62 1/2/62 3/4 62 1/2/62 3/4
Oct. 63 1/2/63 3/4 63 1/2/63 3/4

Le Havre, Apr. 20.—The liner Champlain, sailed for New York to-day carrying the art treasures and passengers from the liner Paris.—Reuter.

JAPANESE INFLUX TO CANTON SETS RECORD

CANTON, Apr. 21.
SETTING AN all-time high record, the Japanese population in Canton has passed the 4,000 mark, it was announced yesterday at the weekly press conference.

Up to the end of March, it was revealed, Japanese subjects in Canton, including Koreans and Formosans, but excluding the military, numbered 4,415. The 800 women included 300 geisha girls, waitresses and entertainers.

The Japanese population in Canton, it was stated, never at any previous time, exceeded 400.
By far the greater number of Japanese in Canton are following the profession of clerks in banks and commercial concerns, namely 1,000, while at the other extreme, only one Japanese is engaged in farming.

Doctors And Nurses
Some 40 Japanese doctors and nurses are in the city, as well as 14 civil engineers and contractors, four teachers, seven monks, and 25 photographers.
Japanese businesses in Canton at present are said to include 50 import and export firms, 90 hotels and restaurants, 80 grocery and general merchandise stores, 18 barber shops, several shipping firms, six trucking and forwarding concerns, and 21 masonry and carpentry establishments.—Reuter.

REJECTION OF PEACE PLEA

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countries on the other side of the Alps.
He added that there are 15,000 workers in Italy busily engaged in building a World's Fair.
"If we wished to light the fuse for an explosion, we would not have concentrated our efforts on this work," he declared.

Mobilisation
He claimed that the ceremony at Campo d'Oglio represents "the first great act of mobilisation. Those beyond the frontiers must not be alarmed at the sound of this word. It is pacific mobilisation with no weapons involved. It is the mobilisation of 15,000 workers. . . . If we were planning to light a fuse, if we were planning threats and aggressive designs, we would not be dedicating ourselves to a work of such gigantic proportions as that of the organisation of a world exhibition. If we had aggressive designs we would not have all nations taking part in the Fair. If, despite the dark clouds on the horizon, we dare to continue our work, we should be interpreted as a sign that we do not want to attack anyone, and all we want is to be allowed to continue with our work."

"Highly Unjust"
Referring to President Roosevelt's message, Mussolini said: "It is highly unjust and, in a certain sense unjustifiable, in attempt to place the Axis nations on the bench of accused."

He started speaking at 11.30 a.m. and his speech was very calm but firm.

"As far as the suggested conferences are concerned, in which the United States would limit itself to the customary role of the distant spectator, experience has given us bitter lessons.
"The greater number of persons at a conference, the more certain is its failure."

"Whether or not a reply is sent to that famous message, I could not fail to seize this occasion to reaffirm that the policy of the Axis is a policy inspired by peace and collaboration.
"Italy and Germany have many proofs of this."

"It is time to silence the disseminators of panic and the forecasters of catastrophe, and these who are professional fatalists. Such persons often cover their fear, their insane hatred and their more or less unconfessable interests, with a large flag."

"At any rate we will not let ourselves be impressed by press campaigns, convivial gossip or Messianic-like messages," he concluded.—United Press.

Hungarians See Pope Pius

Vatican City, Apr. 20.
Count Teleki, the Hungarian Premier, and Count Casky, the Foreign Minister, were received by Pope Pius XII to-day.

His Holiness recalled with special pleasure his visit to Budapest last year and expressed fervent wishes for the moral and material welfare of Hungary.—Trans-Ocean.

Le Havre, Apr. 20.
Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, with her two children, sailed for New York to-day aboard the S. S. Champlain. United Press.

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No Anschluss In S. W. Africa

Union Anticipates German Troubles.

WINDHOEK, Apr. 20.
FOUR HUNDRED police from the South African Union, armed with a large number of Bren guns, and accompanied by four armoured cars, arrived here to-day in accordance with the scheme for amalgamating the South-West African police force with the Union force.

Meanwhile the Germans here celebrated Hitler's birthday by flying swastika flags from homes and business houses. The town otherwise presents a normal appearance, and all is quiet.—Reuter.

Won't Be Returned

Capo Town, Apr. 20.
General Hertzog, the South African Premier, to-day told Parliament that he was very strongly against the suggestion made by the Nationalist Party that the former German South-West African territory be returned to the Reich.

He added: "If the Nationalists are prepared to give back South-West Africa for the sake of peace, I maintain that the giving up of South-West Africa would mean giving up the Union. We shall defend our citizens in South-West Africa in the same way as if they lived in the Union."—Trans-Ocean.

BRITAIN DECIDES 'NO DEEP SHELTERS'

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whole civil population were impracticable.

No grounds had been shown for departing from the policy of blast and splinter proof protection as already announced, and the Government would make every effort to assure this policy being carried out as speedily as possible in the vulnerable areas.

An attempt to produce bomb-proof shelters on any general scale would prove impossible in practice, and would be a mistaken policy.
There was a case for providing heavily protected shelters for certain key points in certain vital services. Technical advice would be afforded as speedily as possible to industrialists and others as to the forms such shelters should take.

Portable Shelters

Sir John Anderson mentioned that the distribution of portable steel shelters which began on February 20, had proceeded at a rate substantially in excess of the estimate of 1,500,000 persons had already been distributed, and future distribution would proceed at an accelerated rate. Tests had been carried out respecting the strengthening of basements. As a result of these tests, the first orders for material were placed on April 4.

An organisation had been created to assist local authorities in carrying out a speedy survey of suitable basements.—Reuter.

New Westminster Hospital Opened

London, Apr. 20.
The King, accompanied by the Queen, opened the new £850,000 Westminster Hospital which has been removed from the old site opposite Westminster Abbey to elsewhere in Westminster.

The two children's wings bear the names respectively of Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose.—Reuter.

Le Havre, Apr. 20.
Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, with her two children, sailed for New York to-day aboard the S. S. Champlain. United Press.

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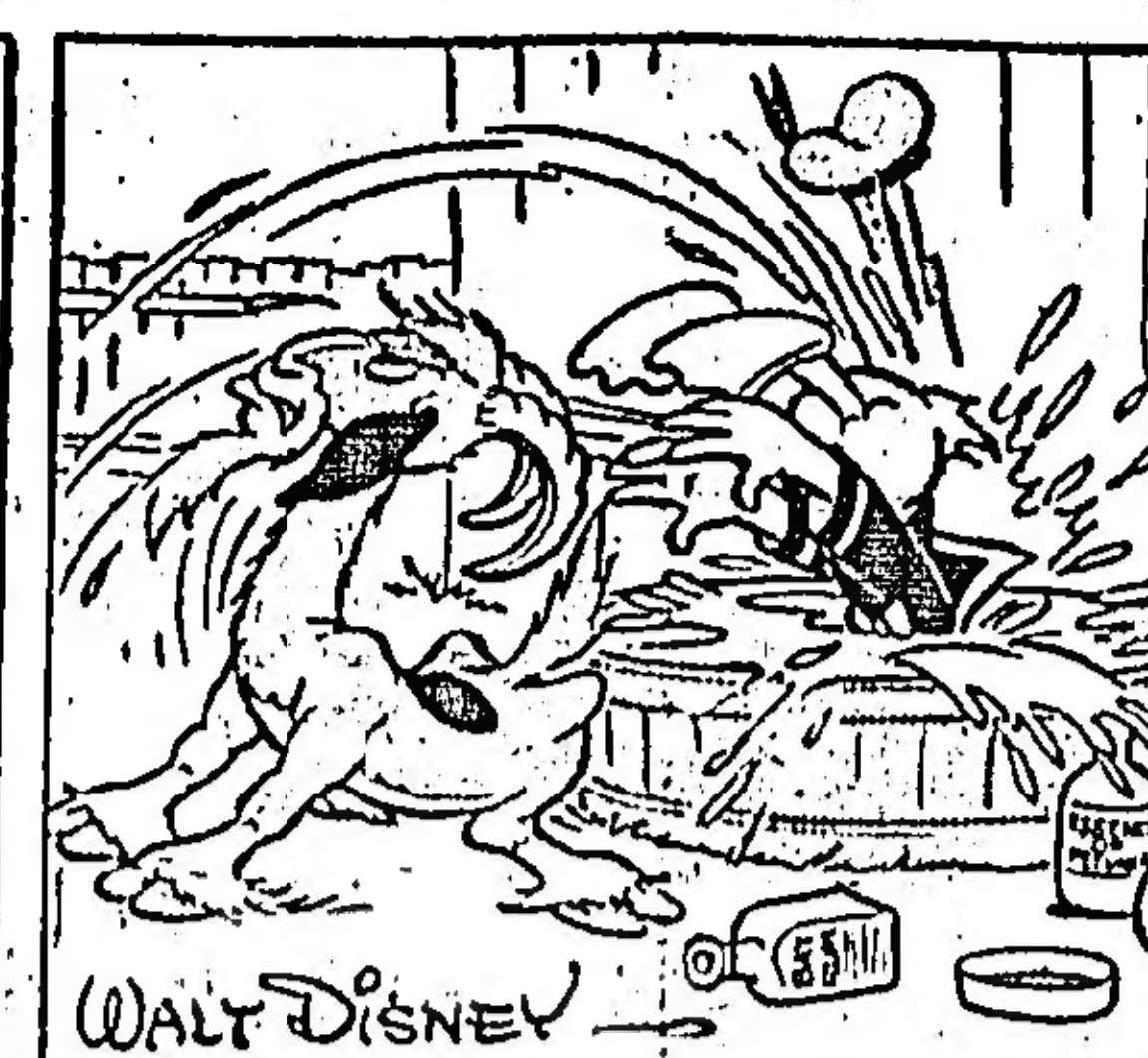
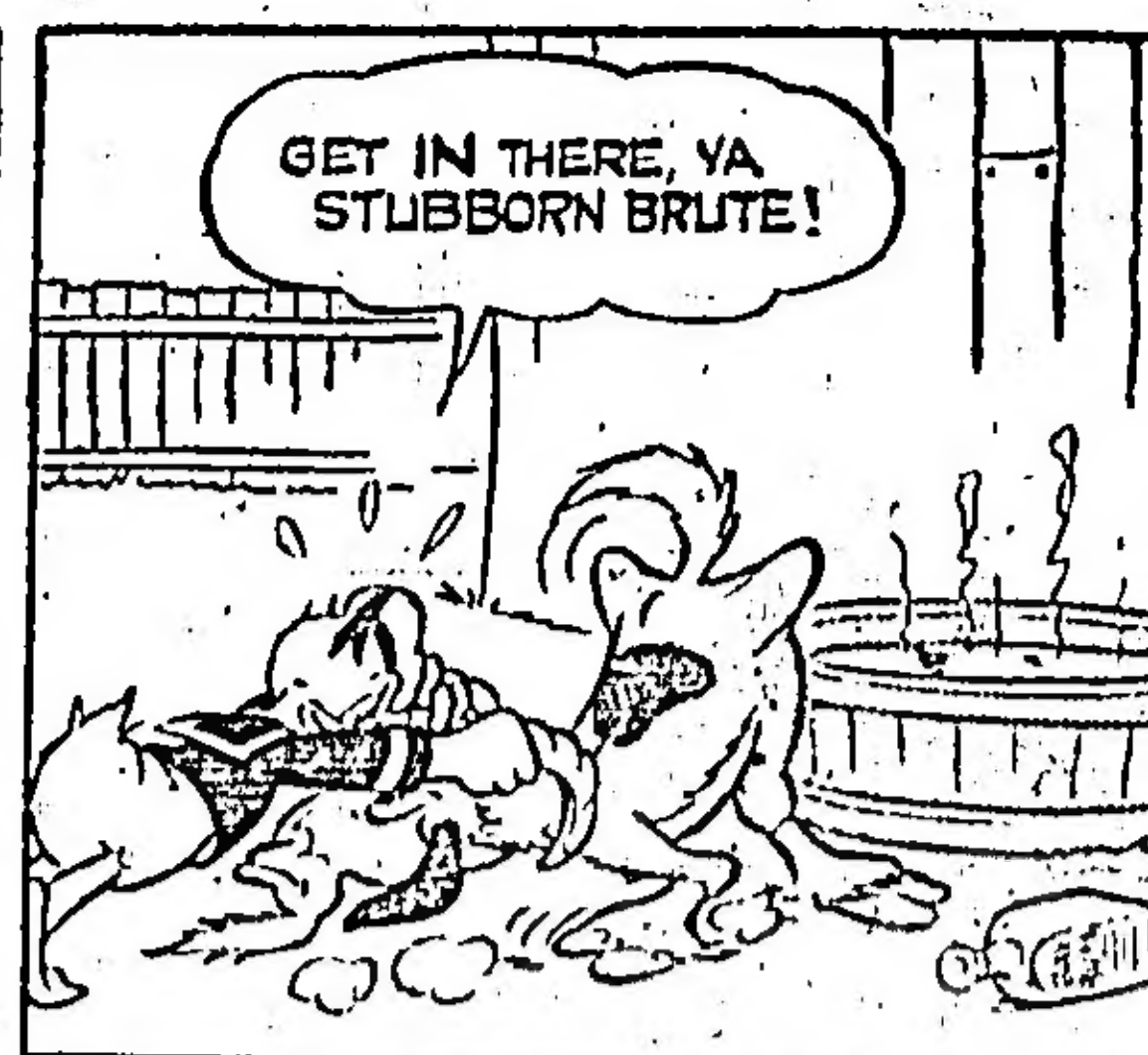
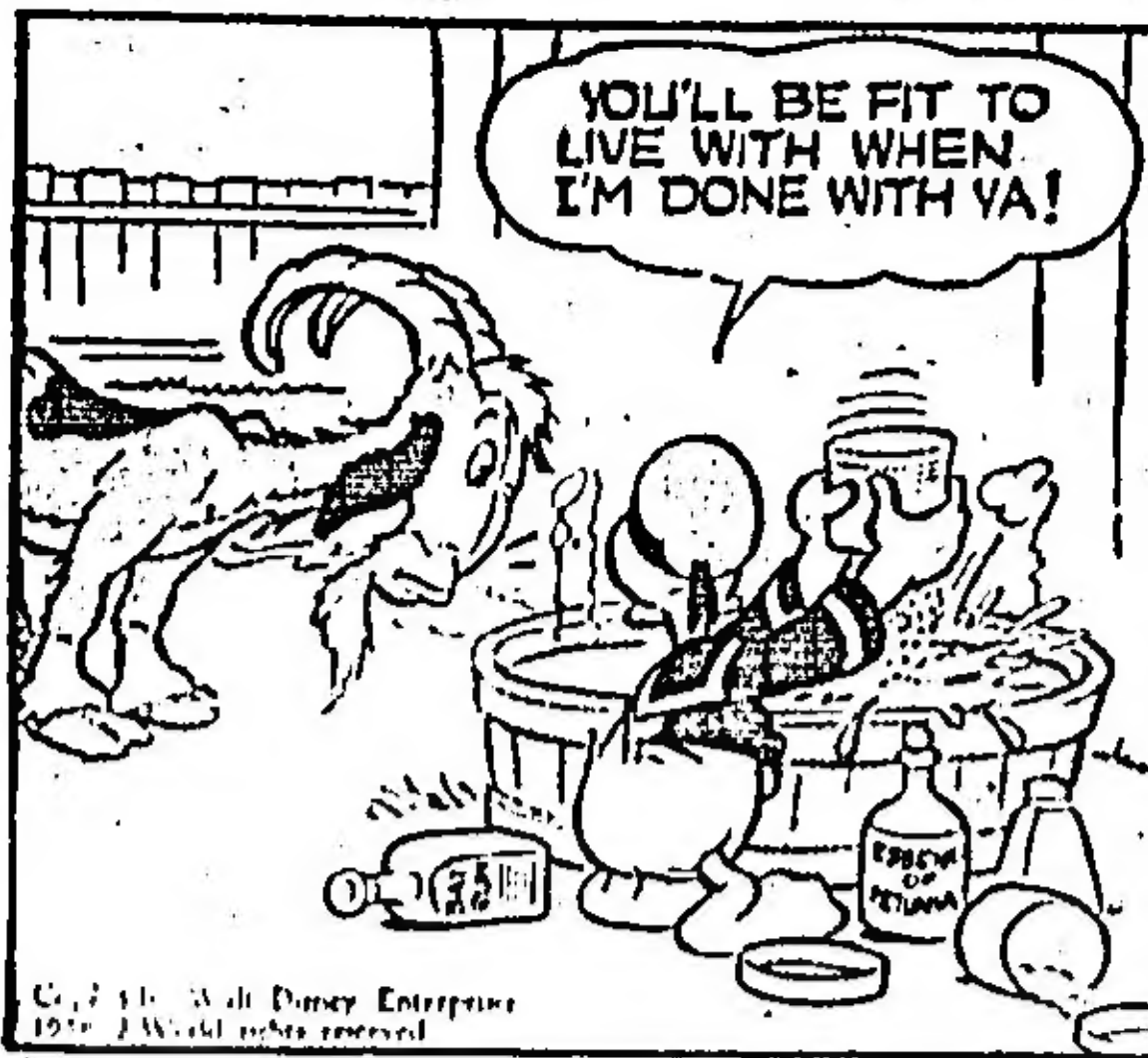
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EUGENICS LEAGUE

Third Annual Report Of Activities Issued

Considerable progress is reported by the Hongkong Eugenics League during the three years of its existence. There has been an increased demand for the services of the League which has just issued its third annual report.

The report states in part: The Hongkong Eugenics League has made considerable progress during the third year of its existence. The number of patients has increased, a second clinic has been opened at the Kowloon Maternity and Child Welfare Centre and a third clinic has been planned in connection with the Tsan Yik Maternity Hospital and will be in operation by the time this report has been issued.

Certain changes have taken place in the status of the League during the last year which have made it possible for the increased activities to be carried out. Permission was given by the Hongkong Government in August 1938 for a leaflet to be distributed in suitable centres informing poor Chinese mothers that "Advice is given free by European and Chinese women doctors at the Violet Peel and Kowloon Health Centres on how to have healthy babies by spacing and limiting the family." This leaflet has been distributed in the Out Patient Departments of the Government Hospitals and through midwives.

A social welfare worker has been engaged to talk to the mothers awaiting treatment in the Out Patient Departments and to give the leaflet to those who desire to make use of contraceptive methods. The social welfare worker is also responsible for visiting the patients in their homes and arranging with them to make a second visit to the Clinic for re-examination—a most necessary part of birth control work.

A memorandum drafted by the medical members of the Executive Committee has been sent to all Medical Officers in charge of gynaecological sessions in the Government Hospitals informing them of the existence of the services of the Clinics so that suitable cases can be referred for advice and further pregnancies are undesirable.

Encouragement and advice has been given constantly throughout the year by the National Birth Control Association of Great Britain. The case card in the Clinics has been re-modelled on that advised by the National Birth Control Association and the analysis book is also worked out on their plan.

Objects of League

In outlining our relationship with the National Birth Control Association, we should like to express our appreciation of the constant interest that Dr. W. C. W. Nixon, the founder of the League in Hongkong, has taken in the work that has been carried out. He is a member of the Medical Committee of the N.B.C.A. and with Mrs. Margaret Pyke, the National Secretary, has given the League most valuable help.

The primary objects of the League remain the same: The provision of advice for married women and particularly women of the poorest classes, whose health makes pregnancy medically undesirable, and the provision of clinics for women whose circumstances are such that both public policy and their individual good demand family limitation.

The report stresses that women attend voluntarily.

During the last year the Executive Committee has met regularly in the office of Messrs. Lo and Lo to whom the League is most grateful. The Executive has been strengthened by the addition of Professor Gordon King with his special knowledge of birth control work in China. Professor Gordon and Dr. Hunter have both gone on leave. They have given the League enthusiastic service since its commencement and will be missed very much during their absence. Dr. Forbes in taking over Dr. Hunter's work of maternity and child welfare is also taking her place on the Executive and assuming responsibility for the Clinic at the Visiting Hours Centre. Mrs. Lawrence Honorewell has also joined the committee; she will be of very great assistance to the League as she has had experience in birth control work as a doctor in London.

Mr. R. A. D. Forrest has returned from leave and is again giving generously of his services as Treasurer.

Future Activities

With the establishment of three clinics the League feels that sufficient service is available for all those mothers who are likely to take advantage of the organization provided. The most important task ahead now is to make the services of the clinics known and to help the public to understand exactly what is meant by "spacing and limitation of families" in order that the well-being of the family both from a health and economic point of view can be improved. To carry out this task effectively the co-operation of the social service organizations, of the educational societies and of the Press, both European and Chinese, is urgently needed.

During the last year the population, owing to the Sino-Japanese war has increased enormously, with the result that housing conditions and the standard of living have deteriorated. For a large proportion of the population the services of the birth control clinics are urgently needed if the next generation is not to suffer irreparably from the worsened conditions resulting from this war.

The Executive Committee is most anxious to inform any organization, or individual in Hongkong, on the work of the League; the social workers at the clinics would be very delighted to show any interested person the case cards and the analysis stand more clearly the work that is being carried out.

Medical Report

During the year 1938-1939 two clinics have been in operation each week, one at the Violet Peel Health Centre, and the other at the Kowloon Infant Welfare Centre. The attendances at the clinics have been as follows:

	First Visits	Repeat Visits
Violet Peel Clinic	257	103
Kowloon Clinic	74	50
Total	331	230

A full medical and social history has been taken of each patient visiting the clinic, and this has been followed by a careful routine examination, which not infrequently reveals the fact that the patient is suffering from some unsuspected cause of ill health.

It might be of interest to quote some of the findings shown by an analysis of the case records of the 331 new patients mentioned above. The average age of the patients is 31.2 years. The family income in the great majority of instances (in over 80 per cent.), is considerably under \$100, the average figure being \$32.30. In less than 20 per cent. of \$100 or more. The typical patient has had six children, but it is rare for more than four of these to have survived. A study of the 1801 pregnancies represented by our 331 patients shows that 7 per cent. terminated in abortion, 1 per cent. died during infancy (very largely of avoidable disease), and that there was a survival rate of only 72 per cent.

The object of the clinic is to assist mothers who wish to space their children at reasonable intervals for economic reasons or in the interest of their own health and that of their family. In this way the mother has a better chance of producing a healthy baby rather than, as is often the case in the very poor, weakly infants almost invariably, a large proportion of which die in early infancy from inanition and other causes.

There have been 239 repeat visits during the year, mainly for the purpose of a follow-up examination, when it is possible to ascertain whether the patient fully understands the use of the method advised. There has been a great improvement in the number of return visits since December 1938, when a trained Social Worker was appointed to assist in the investigation and follow-up work. In many cases it has been found that the reason why the patient has not made a return visit is because the family has moved elsewhere. In some cases the husband is away, in others the patients have "no complaints."

Financial

The balance in hand remains substantial, but, for the first time, the expenditure in the period under review has exceeded the income, on account of the more extensive activities of the League and the increase in the number of cases dealt with.

Thanks are once more due to the auditors, Messrs. Thomas Lo & Co., for their assistance in checking the League's accounts. (The corresponding acknowledgment was inadvertently omitted from the last annual report and the League tender its apologies to the auditors for this inadvertence.)

NEWS IS KNOWLEDGE

QUESTION: What discovery has been made in Hawaii which will throw new light on the character of a great King?

ANSWER: A Bible known to have been used and marked by King Kamehameha the Fifth (1863-1872) of Hawaii has been discovered in a vault.

Q: In what way was the Bible marked?

A: The King read the Bible all through and wrote notes in the margin on his reactions to its teachings. These notes are now being studied by American authorities.

Q: What did King Kamehameha do for Hawaii?

A: He was high-minded and well educated and gave Hawaii a constitution that established the democratic regime begun by the four kings of the same name who preceded him.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

April 21, 1889.

In the Italian Senate, M. Crispien affirmed the news of the death of King John of Abyssinia. He said that the Italian Government did not intend being seduced by a popular religious ceremony and the customary drapery procession there was no special inducement in the Holy City to attract such a large number of Europeans from Hongkong. Fanta was, of course, extensively patronized, and we hear that the play was exceptionally heavy. For once "the Her" had a most successful start of the game, several Hongkong operators being heavy winners.

The Kinkling brought over fifty first-class passengers from Macao yesterday morning—record for an ordinary trip. Beyond the Chinese religious ceremony and the customary drapery procession there was no special inducement in the Holy City to attract such a large number of Europeans from Hongkong. Fanta was, of course, extensively patronized, and we hear that the play was exceptionally heavy. For once "the Her" had a most successful start of the game, several Hongkong operators being heavy winners.

25 YEARS AGO

April 21, 1914.

There were 110 cases of plague notified during last week and 10 deaths. Two of the cases were Japanese and one was a Malay. The rest were Chinese. Last evening Vanchai was the scene of considerable excitement among the Chinese populace when a procession was made through the streets with fish lanterns, fire and musical instruments in the purpose of frightening away the devil responsible for the prevalence of plague in the district.

An important deviation in the service of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's new liners, the *Empress of Vancouver*, is about to be made whereby these vessels will make regular calls at Manila. The boats affected are the *Empress of Asia* and the *Empress of Russia*.

10 YEARS AGO

April 21, 1929.

The new cruiser *Königsberg* has been named in commission under the command of Captain von Kottbus. The occasion was one of great rejoicing and Captain von Kottbus made a stirring address to the crews of the new ship, recalling the deeds of her two predecessors during the war.

An acute stage has been reached at the Disarmament Conference in the discussion of whether the Soviet process should be discussed instead of the Preparatory Disarmament Committee's own draft convention adopted in 1927. Mr. Litvinov yesterday argued that security could be obtainable by disarmament and asked for an unequivocal reply as to whether his draft was acceptable or not.

It is learned that the Soviet disarmament proposals provided for the complete abolition of tanks and heavy artillery, for the suppression of aircraft-carriers for the gradual replacement of battleships by vessels not exceeding 10,000 tons within a period of 10 years, and for the limitation of tonnage and number of submarines.

5 YEARS AGO

April 21, 1934.

Tom Barry, one of the most prominent Republican leaders in South Ireland, has been arrested on a charge of illegal possession of a machine-gun and 254 rounds of ammunition. He will be tried by military tribunal. Barry led the I.R.A. in West Cork during the Anglo-Irish troubles and later took the Republican side against the Free State.

Speaking at the British Industries Fair at the White City, London, the Prince of Wales heartily supported the modern fashion of women's shorts on the lawn tennis court. This is what he said: "I see no reason on earth why any woman should not wear shorts for lawn tennis. They are comfortable, and quite the most practical costume for the game, and I don't think that shorts lose anything in looks."

This vivid pronouncement follows directly upon a similar statement at the Fair by the Duchess of York.

NEW HONGKONG RADIO FEATURE

"Hongkong Backstage" Proves Attractive

A new type of talk was heard over the local radio station last night when Adam Charles gave the first of a series of "chats" on "Backstage in Hongkong."

Some people in Hongkong, particularly old residents, are "mines of information," but the majority are woefully ignorant of even everyday matters concerning the Colony's history and customs. Mr. Charles admits he is in the latter category, and has set about remedying his deficiency, hoping at the same time to increase others' knowledge of everyday affairs.

The talk, in part, follows: I discovered recently that perhaps like a good many people who have lived in Hongkong for some time, I knew almost nothing of its history and activities, and it happened like this. Not long ago, I met a man and his wife, William and Kate who were recent arrivals from India, and we were comparing the two places. I pointed Hongkong's glories and eventually offered expansively to "show them the Colony." So, on Easter Monday I met them and found that, between them, they were interested in almost everything.

Kate, on the way across the ferry, couldn't afford to have my services there are in the Colony. I have since found out how many there really are, but then I was stumped.

"I read somewhere," said William in his slow way "that one could tell, by its shape, the port that a junk belongs to." Where does that one come from?

"Swatow," I said quickly, and taking my wretched and inaccurate memory, added "Mingpo junks, for instance, have high narrow sterns which are often magnificently decorated." Then, because after all, I couldn't afford to have my supposed omniscience shaken so early in the day, I paraded my pitiful knowledge of the need of slucing masting sails with sea water, the use of rudders as keels, and the difficult art of propelling a boat with a "ulo." We got on our way to the New Territories with only a comment on the Fireman's tower, and a question about the Fire Brigade, which I cunningly avoided by having myself a difficult time with the self-starter.

New Territories

"The New Territories—why are they called that?" asked Kate as we swept up Nathan Road. Her agitation while I avoided a small Chinese maiden gave me time to think up the answer which I had read somewhere. I launched myself rather in the manner of a charabanc guide. "The Peninsula of Kowloon," I said, "was ceded to the British with the island of Hongkong in 1841, but the New Territories were given to us on a 99 years lease in 1898."

"So interesting," said William. "Where does Kowloon end and the New Territories begin?"

"Luckily," I said, passing the preposterous fruit and ginger factories at Lung Lok at the time and the smells provided a new and forceful subject for discussion. Kate was rude about them and William unrepentable.

Then I pointed out the junk building yards on the seaward side of the road.

I have found out since that the Southern border of the ceded Territory lies along the line now taken by Boundary Street, but to all intents and purposes Prince Edward Road roughly marks the old frontier.

When we took over the New Territories, the old Kowloon City was originally excluded from the Lease, and it retained its Mandarin and had its own Customs House, but this arrangement rapidly proved unworkable, and the City, the refuge place of the last of the Sung Dynasty was eventually included in the Colony.

Local Flora

As we approached Taun Wan I remarked on the marvellous sight that the flame of the forest trees which line the road there present when they are in flower, wildly adding that there was hardly a tree in the Colony until the Government began the afforestation work, which has grown such different types of trees as Norwegian pines and Australian Gums, and had scattered the hillside with azaleas and other shrubs. Later I learned that probably most of you know—that azaleas are indigenous to South China.

For Kate to plumb the depths of my ignorance of the actual work of the Forest Department was the work of a few moments, and a red herring reference to Shing Mun only served to reveal a further abyss of knowledge

about the water arrangements of Hongkong. I was able to regain face when I stopped the car just beyond Tsun Wan and took them to see the Valley of the Sandalwood Mills. The rather bare hillside and the dull, neat vegetable fields which line the banks of the muddy stream, don't present a very attractive picture from the road, but once we had reached the "subscription" bridge the fascination of the Valley increased with every step. This bridge—there are several "subscription" bridges in the New Territories—was built before the Territories were leased to us.

Sandalwood Mill

When the sack lined floor of the little millhouse is first opened all that can be seen in the light of the angle pane of glass let into the roof is a sand coloured haze of sandalwood dust. Gradually the big granite headed pounders can be distinguished. They are hinged on a beam and are lifted in turn by knobs or bosses on another beam which is attached to the mill stream. The simplicity of the mechanism is beautiful—but what intrigued William even more was the lubrication system which dealt with the friction between the bosses and the ends of the hammers. A hollow bamboo draws water from the mill stream, and sends it through another bamboo which runs the length of the beam attached to the mill-wheel. Holes are dug in this second bamboo through which the water to receive a continual drip of water to keep them cool. The whole thing is supported crazily on stray pieces of wood held together by odd bits of wire, but it works admirably.

The sandalwood chips are imported and when they have been pounded into fine dust this dust is made into paste which is used on joss sticks.

The whole of the New Territories has no recorded history earlier than the first occupation by the Tang Clan some 600 or 700 years ago. It is probable that there were, prior to a few small, almost nomad, communities of fishermen and possibly some remnants of the aborigines.

After the arrival of the Tungs there was an influx of Hakkas, who for the most part were driven up into the hills, Cantonese, remaining in the valleys. This division exists to-day, though intermarriage has taken place to a large extent, but the original character—that is to say that most of them are inhabited by men of the same surname, and much of the property is held in the names of families or tonges.

I drove them on to Kam Tin—which means "Flowers field"—literally "embroidered field." We climbed out and I was inundated with questions.

Kam Tin Problems

For me, this was much better—I placed and chose amongst the flood such questions as I thought I could answer.

We made a precarious and pig-strewn round of the village, which did much to augment William's enthusiasm for sanitation as against scenery, but I could see Kate had mastered her mind. It is to say as we emerged and walked down the road, she unburend herself. "Yes, this must be the place, I think," she murmured. Then, "I sat next to the nicest man at dinner the other night, and I think he told me about this place. He said that there were some wonderful pictures here. Where are they?" Vaguely I remembered the story of some lovely pictures painted by an Emperor and his concubine in which crushed pearls were used for the white paint. I repeated it and added hastily "One can't see them without a personal introduction to the owner."

As we walked on Kate exclaimed "Why, there are three walled villages," a fact which I'd never realized before—never having gone past the first, and I couldn't produce their address for her. So I firmly suggested that we walked through the third village. We discovered beyond it a stream with another little Chinese bridge, about which I since learned a delightful story.

An inhabitant of this village prospered exceedingly and moved out of the village into a grand house on the other side of the stream. From time to time his mother used to visit him

and her grandchildren. Years went by and the old lady found the stepping stones, which were then the only means of crossing the stream, a little exciting for her, so her son built this bridge, commemorating the reason in a little tablet beside it. "Built for the benefit of my mother."

As we drove on to Kam Tin and back by Tai Po, I did some thinking, giving the little knowledge that I had of names and places.

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9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 London Relay—"More Food for Thought".

9.45 London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 B.B.C. Recording—"The Heart of England".

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10.00 A programme of English Music.

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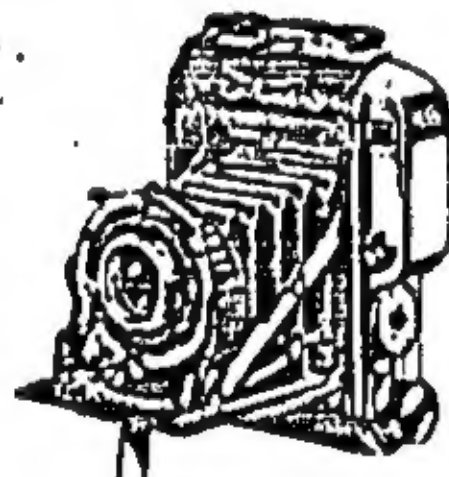
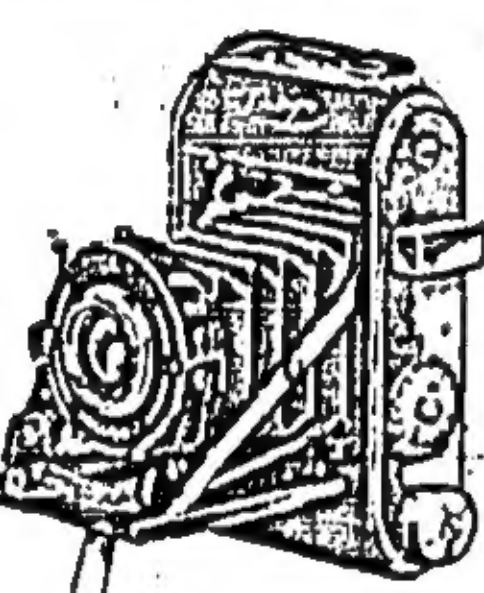
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Birthday

HERR HITLER was fifty yesterday.

There is another man who used to celebrate his birthdays in Berlin with great pomp and glory—the mighty ruler of a mighty nation.

But for twenty years he has been spending them in lonely exile in Doorn, forgotten by the world.

The man who plunged the world into war has learned his lesson.

Foreign papers, please copy.

Spain

THE report goes that Mussolini will withdraw his troops from Spain on May 15, after three postponements. We do not know yet whether there is to be another postponement.

But in any case, Mussolini does not hold all the cards in Spain. There are several other factors in the situation to be considered.

In France there are Spanish Republican soldiers all dressed up and with nowhere to go. It is true that they have no arms, no ammunition, no airplanes, no tanks, no big guns. But neither did Franco when he started that civil war, and the merchants of death can always provide them.

Again, Italy is a long way from Spain. Her line of communication runs past 250 British and French warships that have not been massed for nothing.

And Germany is a long, long way from Spain, too. Just as far from Spain as France was from Czechoslovakia last month.

Pact

"WE ARE resolved that the method of consultation shall be the method adopted to deal with any questions that may concern our two countries, and we are determined to continue our efforts to remove possible sources of differences and thus to contribute to assure the peace of Europe."

That is a little pledge made by Signor Mussolini and Mr. Neville Chamberlain last October. Both countries claim that they adhere to that agreement.

It may prove the reason why there will be no war in Europe.

JERUSALEM, Apr. 20.—A Jewish supernumerary policeman was killed, and five injured when a lorry, in which they were travelling, struck a land mine near a town west of Jerusalem to-day.—*Reuters*

What the women of are saying..

by
MARY FERGUSON



"I know, because I have been listening to them."

THEY can't scare women with any of their talk about what might happen in the future.

How do I know? It's simple. I have been listening to what women are saying.

First let us listen-in to women in the North.

They are humble women. Some of them are trying to make a good life for their families on small weekly incomes.

But they are proud and brave women, too, and they get a good laugh when they read about the jitterbugs. For their part they have never met one. Quite innocently they imagine that all the jitterbugs live in London.

That isn't fair, of course, but can you blame them when they don't know Londoners personally?

AFTER seven years in London with only a few flying visits to Scotland and the North of England I went up to Lancashire and Yorkshire recently.

Mrs. Amy Brown, who runs a small hat shop in a Lancashire town, was full of a grand philosophy about life.

"I think all the frightening talk that is going on at present is a terrible thing," she said, as she marked down a new season's hat from 8s. 11d. to 6s. 11d.

"I may as well get rid of it even at a cut price," she explained, "as keep it till it's out of fashion. Hats aren't selling as well these days. Folks seem to be spending their spare cash on tins of condensed milk and tins of soup and sardines 'just in case.'"

Mrs. Brown laughed cheerfully. "Well, I suppose that's a good thing. It means more food in the country stores in private larders instead of being concentrated in huge central depots, but it makes business a bit lop-sided if you know what I mean."

Mrs. Brown snapped shut her till. She had taken exactly twelve and pence for the day's trading, which amounted to three hats sold.

"What I say," she said with

vigour, "is that if folks would only start thinking about cheerful things and talking brightly about the future it would be a lot better for us all."

IN Scotland it takes a big national event to switch a woman's thoughts off spring cleaning.

My mother, who lives in Glasgow, writes the local gossip in her weekly letters to me.

"We were just saying the other day that when the spring comes everybody will feel much brighter. Down our street most of the neighbours have begun spring cleaning and Mrs. McGowan was asking me if I was arranging my spare room as a dormitory for children in case there was another crisis."

"She wanted me to buy single beds for the children, for she said that is what she is doing. Do you think I should? I don't think we should be so sure there is going to be another crisis. Maybe the dictators and people who cause all the trouble will feel a bit more cheerful when the brighter weather comes."

They are saying here that they wish it were possible to have an exhibition like the Bellahouston Park exhibition every year. It was nice hearing all the foreigners talking in their own languages.

"I don't know anybody who is feeling really mervy about things, but they are sorry that nothing is being done for the unemployed."

"We got nice young men round the door every day trying to sell buttons and bootlaces. I think it is a shame so little is being done for them."

"Do you think Mr. Chamberlain is a good man? Sometimes I think he is and then other times I feel that I distrust him."

MR. A. and Mrs. B. are total strangers to me. They live in Buckinghamshire, and play golf on good

We travelled up to town in the same carriage the other day, and they were saying that the new fashions are too funny for words, because what woman in her senses wants to walk about looking as

though her petticoat was hanging down.

They were quite worried about it. Fashions and the servant problem seemed to have them linked.

Mrs. A. looked about 55. She was stout and cheerful. "My husband was telling me that somebody wants men to give their wives wages, and he says if that becomes law he will give me two pounds a week."

"I must find out who these women are and write to them. It's a ridiculous idea. I didn't get married to get a job, and anyway, it would be awful if we had to take set wages every week."

Mrs. B. laughed, and tucked her

fur close round her neck.

"I think wages for wives are necessary," she had told Mr. B. "because some men don't give their wives any definite amount each week, and that makes life unendurable for the women who don't know where the money is coming from to pay the food bills, the rent and the light."

"My daughter was telling me all about it the other day. Dr. Edith Summerskill, you know the woman doctor who is a Labour M.P., was telling her that some men earning small wages keep most of the money to themselves, and their wives live in a state of constant

—To-day's Thought—
THE best counsel is that of a woman.
—CALDERON.

A WAR OF WORDS

A DEADLY war is being fought.

It has already achieved great victories. Apart from engulfing much material wealth and from acquiring millions of new subjects for the victors this war is enslaving and enfeebling the minds and the will power of hundreds of millions of men and women.

It is a war in which not a single shot has been fired; in which not a single bomb has been dropped. It is a war of words.

Some time back Sir Samuel Hoare launched a powerful broadside against those who have brought this form of warfare to a high art, who have applied it with relentless energy and unscrupulous determination, and have reaped from it well-nigh incredible successes.

The British Home Secretary countered that creeping barrage of propaganda which threatens to engulf many people—not excluding our own—in a creeping paralysis.

—In a creeping paralysis.

Resistance Broken

How has this state of affairs been brought about? It does exist; no one can deny that.

It is due simply and solely to sheer weight of words. These words produce events. The Nazi conquests were achieved by the propaganda machine—by words. The troops simply marched in to take possession after the propagandists had broken down every obstacle and all resistance.

What we have seen in Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Menzel, can also be seen in every corner of Europe and Africa which Herr Hitler declares by word of mouth and the written word must become part of the German Reich.

More important still, we can see it in France and Belgium, Denmark and Switzerland, in every European nation, including our own. As Sir

This Creeping Barrage Of Propaganda

Samuel Hoare remarked, there are many people in Europe to-day who sit listening to all the hot music of the rears and alarms, and who wait for the crash which they believe is to destroy us all. They have fallen under the creeping barrage of propaganda sent out day by day, week by week, month by month, from the totalitarian nations.

It Hits Both Ways

Take the problem which to-day torments the nights and days of millions of British men and women—the problem of aerial invasion.

Doubtless it may be right for responsible statesmen to warn us that we are no longer an island nation, that our frontiers are on the Rhine, that the aeroplane has modified the security we once found in a strong Navy.

The menace from the air is a very real menace. He would be a fool who despised it. But what we are apt to overlook is that it is a universal menace. It is not directed solely against France and Britain. The threat to Berlin is every whit as great as it is to Paris or London.

The peoples of the democracies are continually being told of the tremendous preparations for war in the totalitarian countries. They are also told that their own arrangements to counter these preparations are far from perfect, that there is "remedious leeway to make up."

That does not happen in Germany or in Italy. If there is a deficiency anywhere, the people of the democratic countries are kept in blissful

ignorance of it. They are told only the good things—and told ad nauseam.

The speeches of Hitler and Mussolini are panegyrics of praise for what they have done. They are the boastings of what they are going to do. They are denunciations of the democracies. So with every newspaper article, every official broadcast, every speech, every official from Goebbels or Gayda down to the Mayor of the most remote town.

They glorify their own country and their own regime. They pour scorn and ridicule on France, Great Britain and the United States, cleverly seizing upon every little fault or weakness and magnifying it before the eyes of their people.

If Hitler builds a motor highway across Germany, not only all Germany knows it but also the whole world. But if the German railways have to curtail their services because of the poor condition of their rolling stock and the lack of replacements not one person in a thousand is made aware of the fact.

Such information is certainly no part of the panegyrics emanating from the Nazi propagandist machine. What is more, it is not broadcast by the democracies. Yet the dissemination of such information would counter much of the German propaganda, as would the facts about the scarcity of capital and of raw material in the Reich.

Counting Our Blessings

The Prime Minister has said that it was a good thing, sometimes, to "count your blessings." Anyone who did so in this country, he added, whether employer, worker, man, or woman, would find that there was very much to be grateful for in the conditions here as compared with the conditions in most other countries.

Never were truer words spoken.

PLEASE Turn To Page 4.

fear that they won't get any money at all some weeks.

It's all right for women like us to say we don't want wages."

GOING back to the Lancashire women and what they are saying.

I remember being struck by their absorption in the future and chances of work for their children.

A friend of Grace Fields in Rochdale was saying, "We've got to think about the future of the young folks. I wish something could be done to get them into jobs with some future in them."

"You know they are losing heart up here, for the youngsters are saying they want to go away to the Southern towns where the new factories are opening up."

"It would be a good thing if the Government would start some of their new factories up here and give the young ones a chance to get work near their own homes."

ONE of my neighbours was saying that for some reason or other she couldn't be bothered to read romances any more.

"I wish some novelist would write a novel about the life we are living to-day in houses in small country towns and in the suburbs," she said. "So far as I can see nobody is bothering to make a story about us. I want to read about a woman like myself who is alone all day doing the housework, planning how to make a few pounds cover a lot of expenses."

"Romantic love stuff seems so silly just now when we are all planning a new type of future for ourselves and our children."

Normally my neighbour is not a serious woman. She is the bustling, busy type of housewife. To-day she talks seriously, although quite cheerfully, about the fact that a steady change is coming over the lives of the people in this country.

"We shall have some tremendous decisions to make quite soon," she said to me, "and I do hope we are wise and make good decisions."

When asked what kind of decisions, she replied: "Oh, you know what I mean. We must stop being selfish and thinking only in terms of our own families. We must think in terms of nations."

LIVING in Tiber-street, Islington, N., Mrs. Trondale, is saying to her children: "That's a nice steel shelter, isn't it? Just think what fun you can have in it in the summer time if we make it a summer-house, and put some flowers in it. We can make it comfortable with some chairs and maybe a table."

AND now, what am I saying?

I said to the B.B.C. that I would like to give a talk about the way in which Lancashire folks are facing up to the bad times they are having.

I said I could give a bright, hopeful talk, showing that although the people up there are living in tragic times so far as the staple industry, cotton, is concerned, yet they are remaining proud, industrious and wonderfully brave. The B.B.C. thought such a talk wouldn't be cheerful enough. You see they don't know what women are saying.

Il Duce Gives A Reply To Roosevelt

Rome, Apr. 20.

"The attempt to suggest that the axis wants war is absolutely unjustified. We want to get on with our work," declared Signor Mussolini in his broadcast on the 1942 Rome Exhibition.

"To-day marks the beginning of the great mobilisation—I hope those hysterical people over the frontier will not get frightened—it is civil mobilisation of workmen. By accepting the invitation to the exhibition, many nations have shown that they had the same ideas as the Italians about peace.

"A horrible geographical pyramid has been constituted by people without a rudimentary knowledge of European affairs. The policy of the axis is peace and collaboration."

Signor Mussolini said that the greater the number of people at the conference the less likely was it to succeed. This remark was greeted with loud applause, but added Il Duce, they had men and means to defend themselves.

Il Duce repeated the slogan "peace with justice" amid loud cheers, and concluded by announcing that the new buildings of the 1942 Exhibition would have the proportions of St. Peter's coliseum.

Signor Mussolini was speaking at the City Hall to members of the Organising Committee of the Exhibition.—Reuter.

REFERENCE TO MESSAGE

Rome, Apr. 20. A direct reference to President Roosevelt's message to the dictators was made by Signor Mussolini in his address.

Signor Mussolini said the fact that they were getting on with the exhibition should be considered a promising sign that they did not intend to attack anyone and wished instead to get on with their work. The attempt therefore to place in the dock the countries of the axis is unjustifiable, and no less absurd is the building up of a 10 years' reciprocal guarantee.

"As regards a gigantic conference in which the United States would essentially limit themselves to their usual role of a distant spectator, experience has given us a bitter lesson that the greater the number of participants the more certain is failure," said Il Duce.

Whether or not they sent a reply, Signor Mussolini said that he could not miss the opportunity to reaffirm that the policy of Rome and Berlin was inspired by principles of peace and collaboration.—Reuter Special.

PROFESSIONAL FATALISTS

Rome, Apr. 20. Mussolini started speaking at 11.30 a.m. His speech was very calm, but firm.

Mussolini said, "I re-affirm that the policy of the Axis is a policy inspired by peace and collaboration. Italy and Germany have given many proofs of this. It is time to silence disseminators of panic and forebodings of catastrophe and these professional fatalists."

"Such persons often cover their fears, their insane hatred and their more or less unconfessable interests with a large flag."

"At any rate we will not let ourselves be impressed by press campaigns, convivial gossip or by Messianic messages."—United Press.

LONDON REACTION

London, Apr. 20. The British Government, which is still anxious for reconciliation with Italy, will carefully study Signor Mussolini's speech in the hope of discovering an encouraging sign.

The first reaction here was that the speech, while displaying acute irritation at President Roosevelt's message and the British guarantees to other Powers, did not contain anything to aggravate the European situation.

Mussolini's statement that Italy wanted peace is naturally welcomed, but the declaration that the axis policy is a peace policy contrasted with Italy's martial activities in Ethiopia and Spain and the German leaders' exaltation of force.

Despite the thrust at the "Messianic message," it is felt that Il Duce has not yet decided how to answer President Roosevelt.

The "abundant guarantees" are considered to be a thrust at the British Government, Poland, Greece and Rumania. Nevertheless the British Government is not yet convinced that it is impossible to draw Italy from Germany and therefore will undoubtedly continue direct efforts to improve Anglo-Italian relations.—United Press.

MOUSSET PRAISES ROOSEVELT SPEECH

Paris, Apr. 20. M. Bonnet, French Minister for Foreign Affairs, in a speech at the American Club, said, "Co-operation for peace and human well-being is found in President Roosevelt's admirable message on a new basis and in a new expression."

"Last September Europe felt as a comfort the attentive presence of President Roosevelt and the American people. The voice of your President has been heard anew because Europe is in a state of tension, of which everyone feels the gravity."

"Millions of men have been mobilised, warships are on patrol on the seas, the anguish of peoples is increasing in a world where he saw redoubtable confusion."

"Your President rendered a real, active service in applying to this

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

New Council In Shanghai

Shanghai, Apr. 20. The Municipal Council announced that Mr. Cornell Franklin, American, has been re-elected Chairman of the Municipal Council, while Mr. W. J. Kerwick, British, has been elected as Vice-Chairman, succeeding Brigadier General E. B. MacNaughten who has retired. It is also announced that the Chinese Ratepayers' Association re-elected Messrs. Xu Ya-ching, L. T. Yuan, Eugene Y. B. Kiang, W. Gockson and Yu Lin-hai as the Chinese members of the Municipal Council, while K. H. Liang, Chen Che-chen, F. S. Hsu, S. Francis Liu, K. C. Hsu and W. J. Lee have been elected to serve on the Municipal Council Committee.—United Press.

Burma

REPORT ON RECENT UNREST

Causes Are Varied

Rangoon, Apr. 20. Re-examination of the Indian question is suggested in the report of the committee of investigation into the riots in Burma last year.

The report states that the cause of the riots was due in some respects to the Burmese press, which attacks unjustifiably the Indian communities in Burma. Neglect of duty by the elected members of the Burmese Assembly is also criticised by the report.—Reuter Bulletin.

Varied Causes

London, Apr. 20. Increasing mischief making by younger Buddhist priests is exposed in the final report on the Burma Riot Inquiry Committee as a conspicuous cause of the "disturbed political condition of Burma after two years of self-government."

The Committee strongly emphasises the consequent degeneration of the Sangha, that is the Buddhist Church, from the former high spiritual and educational influence for good.

Other causes of unrest named in the report are: the Burmese press, which actively encouraged disorders by a course of dangerous and intemperate prejudice against Indian trading communities in Burma; the elected representatives of the Legislative Assembly, which in far too many instances sided with lawlessness and disorder; Thakins associations, "a poisonous anti-social creed of domestic and industrial unrest and individual indisciplinability" assiduously spread among the people.

The Committee urges that the whole Indian question must be carefully reviewed with a view to ascertaining how far the Indo-Burmese racial interests are actually in conflict, and assuring to the Indians their status as British subjects to be upheld, and that for the Burmese their economic growth should not be stifled.

Reasonable restriction of undesirable immigrants and full safeguarding of Burmese peasants' rights and welfare is also recommended.

The Committee specially dwells on the vital necessity of defining once and for all the relations of the Sangha and the State to allow no doubt that the monks are as much subject to the rule of law as any of His Majesty's subjects.

The Sangha is urged to restore internal discipline and enforce the rule of its own religious doctrine against monks who have turned into political agitators.—Reuter.

Guarantee For Danzig

Paris, Apr. 20. The position of Great Britain and France in the event of German aggression against Danzig was made quite clear to-day by the French Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, during a debate on Foreign Affairs.

If Poland resists a German attack on Danzig, France will be immediately obliged to assist Poland. The Anglo-French guarantees to Poland, Rumania and Greece cover not only the political independence of these nations, but also their territorial integrity.

M. Bonnet, who was supported by the Minister for Defence, added that France was prepared for any emergency, both in the Mediterranean and in Africa.—United Press.

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?
 rigorous ostentatious
 mendacious
 strychnine riddance
 English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 6.

Berlin En Fete For Hitler's Birthday

Berlin, Apr. 20.

World affairs were shelved in Berlin to-day and the city was astir at dawn as early morning marching troops heralded the opening of the birthday festivities in honour of the German Chancellor. The newspapers appeared in special editions accompanied by illustrated supplements devoted to the Fuehrer and his work, emphasis being placed on the successes which began with the return of the Saar to Germany and recently saw the addition of Memel.

"The Reich is now solidly established," wrote General Goerring in a special article written for the official National Socialist organ Volkischer Beobachter, in which he stressed the Fuehrer's "incomparable will and his resolute determination to elevate Germany from the depths of despair and disgrace to a position of eminence."

"The German defence forces to-day protect Germany's vital territory in air, water and on land," he stated, "and this is all the work of a man to whom we to-day render homage for a work which is so stupendous in its greatness and finality that we could almost believe it has been a miracle. No German has ever achieved as much. The Fuehrer is the greatest German of all times. Words are inadequate for expressing the feeling of love, honour, admiration and gratitude shared by all of us who stand under his leadership. Let politicians and statesmen of the non-comprehending world forge plans and barriers, let journalists spit poison and gall at us, we ignore them because for us the only important thing is the word of the Fuehrer. Providence sent us the Fuehrer in time of need and our prayer to-day is, 'Protect the Fuehrer, bless his work.'"—Trans-Ocean.

HONOURS CONFERRED

Berlin, Apr. 20. Birthday honours were conferred on numerous German diplomatic officials, as well as upon prominent artists, scientists and actors.

The former German Consul-General in Shanghai, Herr Krueger, has been made Ministerial Director. Herr von Randow, Vice-Consul at Shanghai, and the Consul in Chungking, Herr Scheffler, has been given the rank of Consul, first class. The Chief of Protocol in the German Foreign Office, Freiherr von Doernberg, and the former Consul-General in San Francisco, Herr von Killinger, have been awarded the title of Minister, first class.

The title of Professor was conferred on the well-known German film director, Karl Ritter, and the high rank in the German civil service, "State actor," has been granted to the prominent actors Karl Ludwig Diehl, Johannes Riemann and Heinz Ruchmann. The title of "State actress" was conferred on Paula Wessely and Angela Salloker.—Trans-Ocean.

UNPLEASANT WEATHER

Berlin, Apr. 20. Chancellor Hitler rose at 6 a.m. as millions of Germans throughout the Reich and annexed territories prepared to celebrate his 50th birthday with the pomp and glory befitting an Emperor.

Equipped with woollen blankets, parcels and food, hundreds of thousands of people have been flocking since midnight to vantage points along the route of the great military parade this morning.

When the celebrations began, the fine weather which experts promised would reach Germany from Britain had not materialised, the day being cold and the sky overcast.

The proceedings began with a serenade by the "Adolf Hitler" Black Guard Band in the garden of the old Chancellery. At 9 a.m. Hitler took the salute at the new Chancellery at the march past of Black Guard formations. Half an hour later the Diplomatic Corps expressed congratulations to the Fuehrer. They were followed by the leaders of the Greater German Reich, including the Czech Premier, Dr. Hacha, and the Slovak Premier, Dr. Tiso, and representatives of the armed forces headed by Field Marshal Goerring.

Official guests representing at least 23 countries were present at the birthday celebrations, Britain and

France are not sending official delegations, but two Britons, Major General Fuller and Lord Brocket, were private guests of the Fuehrer.—Reuter.

THE MARCH PAST

Berlin, Apr. 20. The largest parade of the new German Army displaying new categories of troops, the heaviest anti-aircraft guns never shown before and the heaviest artillery, lasted three hours and 40 minutes.

The parade demonstrated the high degree of perfection of modern equipment of infantry so that the German infantry regiment of to-day neither in the eyes of the spectator nor in its fighting strength can be compared to the infantry which marched into war in 1914.

Sharply at 11.20 the entire division of the air force roared over the spectators. The march past of 40,000, started at 11.25, the infantry regiment, marine regiment and air force regiment passing before Adolf Hitler and his 110 guests from Europe and overseas. Then for the first time was seen a detachment of the parachute regiment No. 1, in green uniforms with parachute belts around the body. Most impressive, since modernization of the new German Army, was the picture of motorised detachments of the air force and army passing at high speed. The heavy vehicles of the air force in rows of four rolled past almost soundlessly.

A large part of the infantry did not march afoot but drove in automobiles. The infantry was armed not only with rifles and light and heavy machine guns but also with light and heavy grenade throwers, anti-tank guns, light and heavy infantry guns, the latter being shown for the first time.

The cavalry likewise afforded a new picture, being represented at the parade not only by mounted but also by motorized squadrons. Engineers, military engineers and strong units of artillery followed. The artillery displayed all calibres up to the heaviest. The march past of the first armoured brigade with assault cars of various calibres and equipment followed.

The parade is believed to be regarded as a demonstration of Germany's military power before the representatives of all nations. It concluded by an impressive marching off of the flag battalion carrying the colours of all German regiments. The review was terminated at 3 p.m.—Trans-Ocean.

KING'S CONGRATULATIONS

Berlin, Apr. 20. King George has sent a message of congratulation to Herr Hitler on the latter's birthday.

Troops to the number of 55,000 took part in the march past Hitler this morning in the biggest military parade seen in the city. The British Charge d'Affaires occupying a seat in the grandstand was a witness of the parade. Squadrons of planes were flying overhead, while the streets were crowded with thousands of people.

Danzig has honoured Hitler by electing him as honorary citizen.—Reuter Bulletin.

TOKYO CELEBRATION

Tokyo, Apr. 20. The German Ambassador, Herr Eugen Ott, was host at a luncheon given at the German Embassy to-day in celebration of the fiftieth birthday of Adolf Hitler.

Among the guests present were Prince Fumimaro Konoye, President of the Privy Council, Mr. Hachiro Arita, the Foreign Minister, Viscount Kintomoto Mushakoji, former Japanese Ambassador to Berlin, and high officials of the Japanese Army and Navy.—Domei.

JAPANESE CONGRATULATIONS

Tokyo, Apr. 20. His Majesty, the Emperor to-day cabled birthday felicitations to Hitler.—Domei.

DISCUSSION ON LEAGUE

Mr. S. V. Boxer, President of the Hongkong branch of the League of Nations Society, will lead the European Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group on Sunday evening, his topic being the League of Nations. The discussion will be open to the public and all interested on the subject are welcome.

Australia

New Premier In Angry Scene

Canberra, Apr. 20. Lord Gowrie, Governor-General of Australia, has commissioned Mr. R. G. Menzies, leader of the United Australian Party, to form a Government.

Sir Earl Page, leader of the Country Party and acting Premier, has handed in his resignation, but agreed to carry on for the time being at the request of the Governor-General.—Reuter Bulletin.

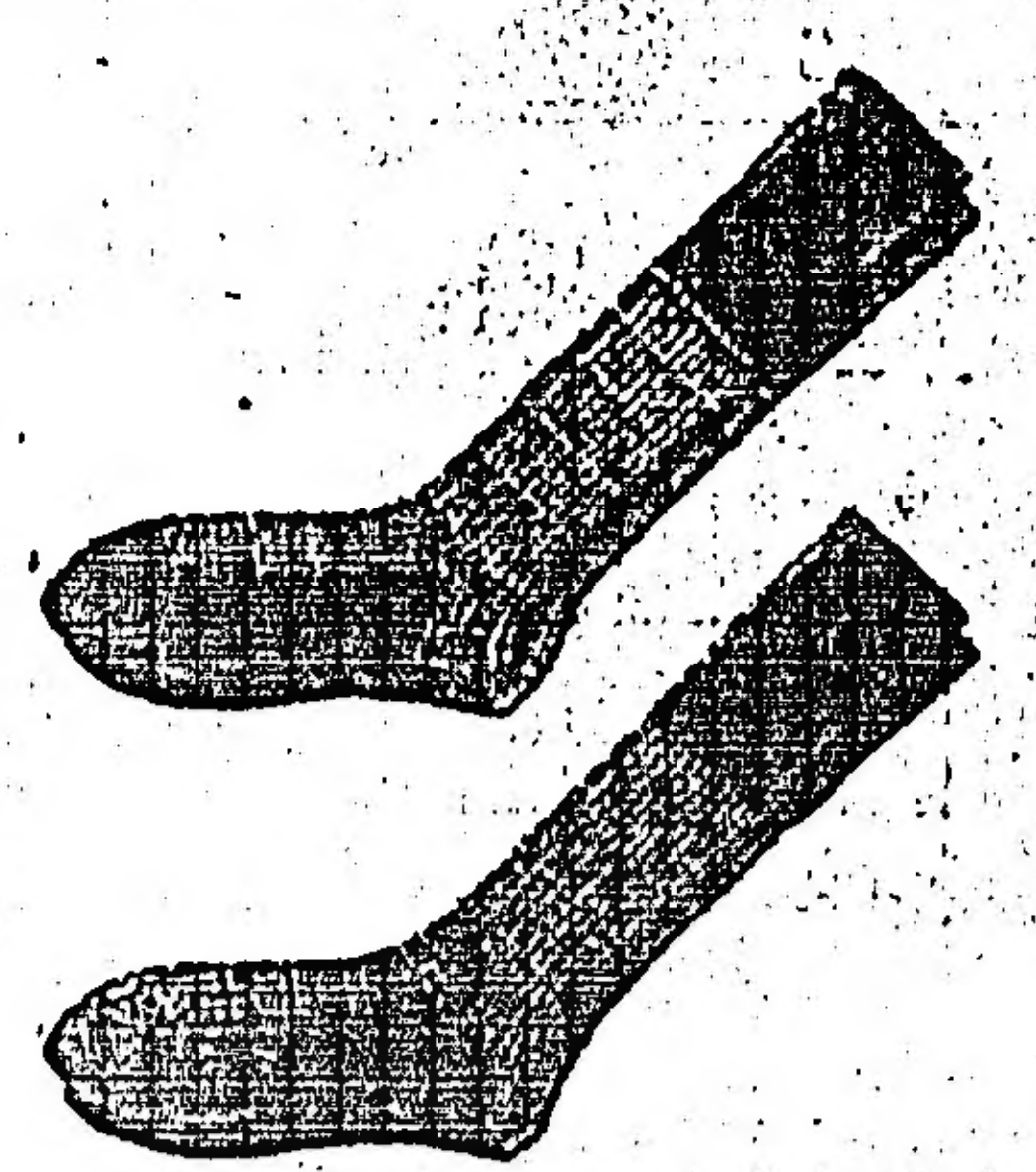
Squabble In House

Canberra, Apr. 20. Angry scenes in the House of Representatives to-day emphasised the deep split between the United Australian and Country Parties. Sir Earl Page bitterly attacked Mr. R. G. Menzies because he resigned from the League Government in coalition of the two Parties—whereas Australia was spending "untold millions" preparing for war. He

also criticised him for the speech made before his resignation which was interpreted as an attack on Mr. Menzies, and declared that Mr. Menzies avoided war service overseas by resigning in 1915 from the Australian forces.

Mr. Menzies vigorously replied, describing Sir Earl Page's attack as "pretty low." He added that the war to co-operation has now been closed, bolted and barred for reasons which are not only personal and offensive but paltry.

Mr. Menzies subsequently issued a statement regarding the security of Australia, saying "everybody in this country will have to come into line in a spirit of self-sacrifice to make his or her contribution if we are to make Australia safe." This pronouncement is interpreted here as an indication of a vigorous defence development policy including probably the reintroduction of universal training.—Reuter.



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Russia

Important Moscow Meeting

London, Apr. 20. Reports of dramatic new moves by the Soviet are given currency in this morning's newspapers.

The Daily Mail Paris correspondent reports that Russia, in return for her co-operation against aggression in eastern Europe, is asking for Anglo-French support if the Soviet is attacked by Japan.

The News Chronicle states that M. Stalin has sent for the Soviet Ambassadors in Paris and Berlin and the Minister in Stockholm, as well as for M. Molotov, the Ambassador to London.

All four are reportedly due to arrive in Moscow to-day for a conference in which Russia's attitude to the proposed pact with the western Powers will be discussed.

When the Russian envoys in Paris and Berlin arrived at Warsaw, en route to Moscow, they met the Soviet Charge d'Affaires in the Polish capital. He is reported to have informed them of Poland's attitude regarding co-operation with the Soviet.

The Warsaw Correspondent of the London Times reports that M. Litvinoff has been actively engaged recently in endeavouring to elucidate from the foreign minister, of the Baltic States whether they would welcome active assistance from the Soviet in case their independence was threatened and, if so, what form such assistance should take.

Whatever may be the result of these and other developments, arising from the Soviet's important new role in European affairs, there at least is general agreement among political and other commentators this morning that the British and French approaches to Russia are making good progress.—Reuter.

REVIEW OF CONTACTS

There never has been a busier international "bull" than the present one. This is the apt conclusion reached by the Diplomatic Correspondent of the London Times in reviewing the comings and goings of kings, rulers, and diplomats while the world waits for Hitler's answer to President Roosevelt.

"The visits fall into three main groups," the Correspondent points out. "The British and French contacts are stretching out to Moscow and Poland, with several main branches all progressing well."

"The second group are the German and Italian interviews, made all the easier by Herr Hitler's birthday celebrations that are drawing hidden guests from all parts of central and south-eastern Europe."

"Thirdly, there are the distinctly Italian contacts, which need not automatically be included in the accepted Rome-Berlin scheme—contacts, for example, with Teletski publicly in Rome and with the Yugo-Slav Government quietly in Belgrade."—Reuter.

MILITARY AID ACCORD

Paris, Apr. 20. It is understood that Britain will enter into a military aid accord with France to conclude a three-Power military aid accord.—United Press.

FLYING DOCTOR

Bakersfield, Cal. Residents of the Mojave desert no longer worry about the great distances separating them from the nearest physician. All they have to do now is to call Dr. Thomas A. Drummond and he steps into his ambulance and flies to their aid.

Chungking

Ambassador And Peace Rumours

Chungking, Apr. 20. A large number of Chinese officials and the British Consul-General in Chungking greeted Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr when he arrived here from Kunning yesterday by air.

It is learned that no special mission is connected with Sir Archibald's present trip here.

It is pointed out in official circles that since Sir Archibald arrived after Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek gave the important press interview that there was no possibility of peace under present circumstances, all rumours of peace in connection with the Ambassador's present trip had naturally been dispelled.—Central News.

Should Be Impressed

Chungking, Apr. 20. China's determination to continue the war of resistance will doubtless be observed by Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, says the Tai Kung Pao in an editorial, commenting on the British Ambassador's arrival at Chungking. This determination of the Chinese army and people, the paper continues, was clearly stated by Chiang Kai-shek in the press interview of April 18.

Her anti-British policy and determination to conquer China, the editorial says, makes Japan the common enemy of China and Britain.

The article concludes by expressing the hope that the Ambassador will further cause close co-operation between the British and Chinese Governments.

Upon his arrival at Chungking yesterday afternoon Sir Archibald Clark Kerr was handed a copy of Hankow Herald, the local English paper, which had given prominence to the interview granted by Chiang Kai-shek to the press on April 18, when he declared that "peace was impossible under existing circumstances."—Reuter.

ABYSSINIAN WAR Interesting Lecture At European Y.M.C.A.

An interesting lantern lecture on the Abyssinian war was given at the European Y.M.C.A. last night by Lt.-Col. H. B. Holt, who from 1930-5 was Commander of the British military unit in British Somaliland, and from 1935 British Military Attache in Addis Ababa. He outlined the start of the campaign from all angles, touching on his personal experiences which were illustrated by a fine collection of photographs. He finished with a careful study of the Emperor Haile Selassie, and gave reasons for his downfall.

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INTERESTING PROGRAMME FOR THIRD EXTRA MEET

FIRST CLASSIC RACE ARRANGED SINCE CARNIVAL ST. GEORGE'S PLATE DRAWS GOOD FIELD

(By "Capt. Foster")

St. George's Plate, the first classic handicap of the season since the Annual Carnival, and eight other events, feature the programme of the Third Extra Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club to be held to-morrow at Happy Valley. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

Discovery Bay To Concede A Heavy Weight

The curtain raiser will be the St. Kilda Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a short trip of six furlongs and it looks that we shall see a good swing in the opening chorus owing to the fact that anything may happen. A comparison of the weights of those who ran in the Cabramatta Handicap (over a mile 171 yards) and what they are set to carry in this event will undoubtedly prove interesting:

Cabramatta Handicap	St. Kilda Handicap	Difference of weights
Discovery Bay (1st) 140 lbs	147 lbs.	plus 7 lbs.
A Great Time (2nd) 102 "	102 "	same
Macquarie River (3rd) 141 "	140 "	minus 1 "
Strathcarrick (4th) 157 "	153 "	" 4 "
Annabella 105 "	103 "	" 2 "
Cape York 140 "	135 "	" 5 "
Dick Turpin 103 "	108 "	" 5 "
Murray River 148 "	141 "	" 7 "
Perfect Day 140 "	135 "	" 5 "
Twilight Star 102 "	145 "	" 43 "
Violet Queen 136 "	135 "	" 1 "
Zodiac 155 "	148 "	" 7 "
Bredon 136 "	135 "	" 1 "
Roddy 135 "	135 "	" 0 "

It will be seen that for a beating of a length, the winner, Discovery Bay, has been asked to concede 7 lbs. to A Great Time while Macquarie River, who finished behind the latter by a short head, has a pull of 8 lbs. The form book shows that A Great Time and Macquarie River have faster legs in a sprint than over a distance run and in the circumstance Discovery Bay has a slight proposition. Bredon (after her successful run in the Flemington Plate beating A Great Time by three lengths) will be looked after by Mr. Proulx and it looks that the combination is hard to beat. We must not overlook Strathcarrick, who has been kindly treated with a difference of 11 lbs. against Discovery Bay and the mare has not now the habit of dropping her anchor in the home stretch. Cape York is well in on the handicap, but a lot depends upon his mettle. Violet Queen does not appear to be extremely fit, but the lady is a good outsider. Zodiac is also good over this distance.

St. George's Plate Prospects

Great interest has been taken in the training of China ponies, bona fide griffins of this season, for the St. George's Plate over the champion course owing to the fact that the conditions of that classic have barred the entry of Navylight and Rose Elect. Since the inception of the race in 1931, it has always been a handicap event for griffins of the current season with no restriction, but last year the Stewards imposed a ban on ponies classified "A" class and it was no doubt done to prevent a "walk-over" affair either by Silky-light or Desert Chief. The intention was good, but the absence of Confusion Bay and Expression Time gave Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Cameronian an easy passage in the St. George's Plate.

It was, however, one of the fastest runs performed by a griffin and it may be of interest to know that the difference of minutes and seconds between the first winner since the inception and Cameronian was 11.1/5 seconds. Here are a list of winners and the track figures:

1931 L. Dumbard's	Fortune Bay
1932 Samson's	Princess Hall
1933 Mrs. Pearce's	Trentbridge
1934 A. M. L. Soares	Prima Donna
1935 Dynasty's	King's Jubilee
Eu Tong-sen's	Rose-Queen
1936 Harbord's	Royal Scot
1937 Eve's	Havoc Eve
1938 Eu Tong-sen's	Cameronian

(* Dead Heat)

It will be seen that when Fortune Bay annexed the first classic (a cup presented by the President of St. George's Society) the circuit of 1 1/4 miles was covered in 2.59.3/5 where-as last year Cameronian took 2.20.2/5.

Rob Roy Fancied For This Race

A good race should be seen in the Canton Handicap (first section) for "B" class China ponies over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in. It will be recalled that in the Hongham Bay Handicap (first section) run at the Easter session Rob Roy lost the race to Moonlight View by a short head after a few minutes of deliberation by the Judges and that win has cost the latter just one pound of the lead. Rob Roy seems to be at the peak of his form and I fancy the laddie for this event. But I am afraid of Red Feather who may turn the tables. New Star looks dangerous at only 151 lbs.

Put Your Money On Hectic View

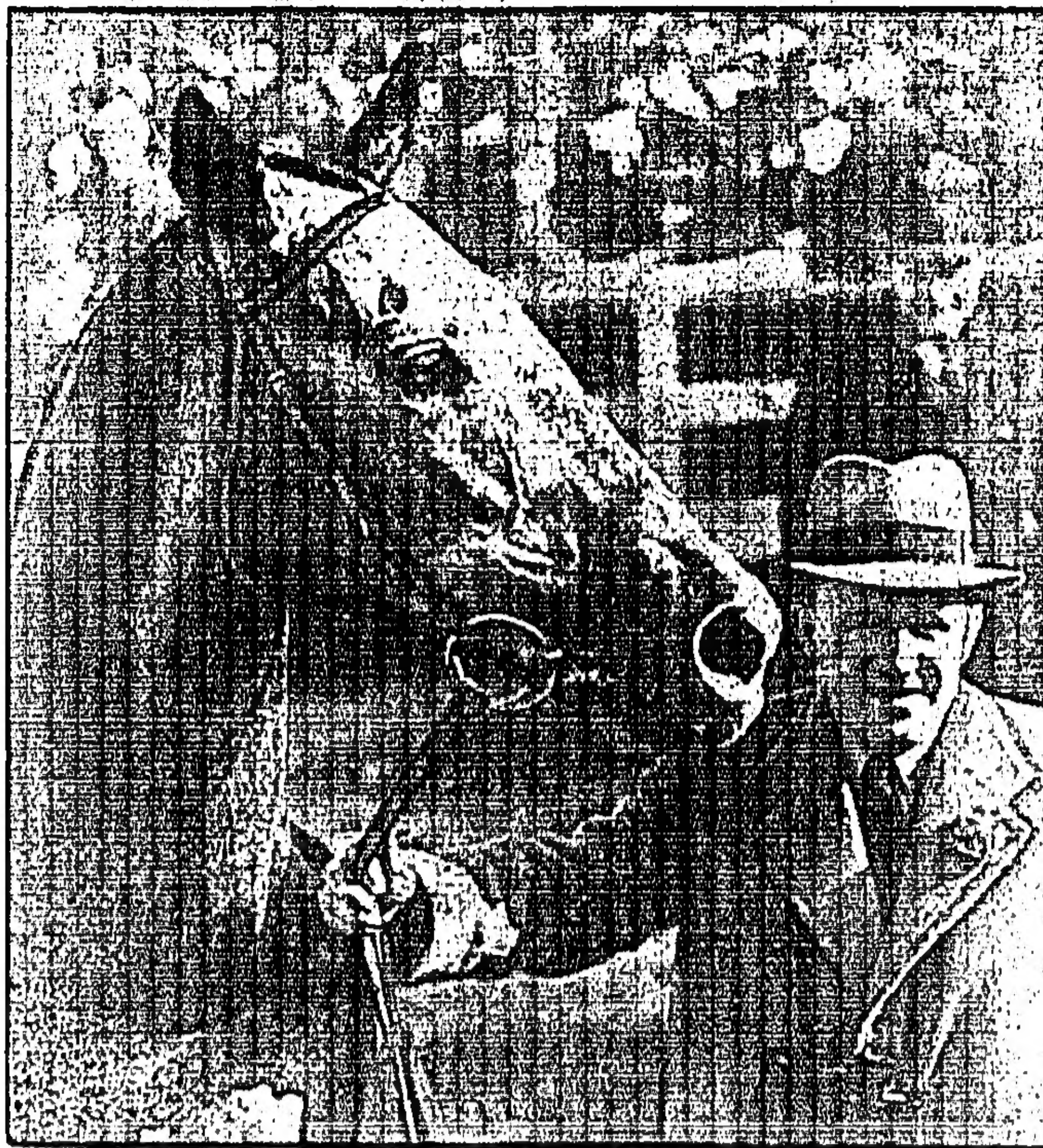
In the fourth event, the Fatshan Handicap (first section) for China ponies "C" class over six furlongs, Hectic View, who holds the post of honour, has a better chance here than in the previous race, for the stallion has shown his prowess in the Mils Bay Stakes as a speedy roadster. King Kong, who let the supporters down very badly but ran a good second behind Jennifer in the Kellett Handicap on Easter Monday, has been allotted only 151 lbs. and the pony is almost on the same level with Musketeer, who annexed the Valley Stakes in 1.28.3/5. The last named is certainly a speedy merchant over six furlongs and with a good rider in the saddle the pony must be in the limelight. Of Mr. Eu's outfit it appears to me that Rose Emily will be Mr. Encarnacao's mount while Rose Jane will be piloted by Mr. Poy. A Jockey will have to be found for Rose Evelyn, but in any case the first "Rose" is dangerous for the mare was only half a length behind King Kong in the Kellett Handicap. Blue Diamond is nicely weighted. Of all the ponies mentioned Hectic View is the one to have your money on.

HOBART STAKES

An interesting scramble will be seen in the Hobart Stakes for Australian subscription ponies of this season that have not won more than \$500 in stakes and the sprint is from the 1 1/2 mile post. Among the list of 12 entries I cannot see anything to trounce Ruby Star, provided of course he should be on the move at the release of the barrier. I am inclined to believe that Ruby Star does not like the tape business. As a substitute I recommend Bruce with Mr. Proulx in the saddle and Helium, the property of Mr. Reddy.

A. J. P. Heard	2.39.3/5
F. M. L. Soares	2.32.4/5
A. J. P. Heard	2.32.2/5
G. A. Harriman	2.32.4/5
L. G. Frost	
P. Botelho	2.38.3/5
G. A. Harriman	2.35.1/5
Y. T. Fung	2.30.3/5
C. Encarnacao	2.28.2/5

In 1931 the state of the going was far from satisfactory, but one must admit that we have now a better class of China ponies and there is reason to expect a good fight for



THE LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP—The winner, Squadron Castle, who started at 40 to 1, with his owner, Mr. S. H. Oxenham, a book maker. The horse was fourth in last year's race, and cost his present owner only 300 guineas.

FINE RACE MAY BE EXPECTED

The first leg of the daily double is on the Broken Hill Handicap for Australian youngsters of this season and the run is from the two mile post, once round and in. All the good 'uns with the exception of Candlelight have been entered and we are sure to see a fine race. This class of ponies has always provided us with plenty of thrills and it appears to me that the contest is very open. However, Triumphant Day with Mr. B. L. Tao up (the winner of the Roothill Derby) is at the top of the tree with 105 lbs. to carry; in fact we cannot find him to be anywhere else, and he has to be at his best to stem the challenge of Chilton (Mr. Encarnacao), Cockleford (Mr. Needs), Happy Landings (Mr. Davis) and Rivulet (Mr. Ph). I am not under-rating others such as Devonian (Mr. Black), National Victory (Mr. Chanson), Rising Star (Mr. S. W. Pan), Sydney Lad and Victory Day as "NBG," but I certainly cannot ignore a pony which I do not like. I may be wrong, but Cockleford, in my estimation, likes this jaunt, which is a little over the mile course and the chestnut candidate from the John Peel stable is looking extremely well. He is well keyed and I like him. Hiltren is dangerous and so is Happy Landings. Rivulet is not to be despised.

Gladiator Should Be Dangerous

With a bit of blue sky Gladiator should register his first win for the new lady owner, Mrs. A. E. Grasset, in the Canton Handicap (second section) over a course from the two mile post, once round and in. Gladiator was to have been ridden by Mr. Heurne in the Hongham Bay Handicap, but as the jockey was dissatisfied by Whiskey in the previous event, Mr. Tao filled the gap. The latter was a new passenger and in the circumstances it appeared to me that the combination did not get going. At any rate he ran a good race, dead-heating Avon for second place and the pony will again be ridden by the same jockey. Potentate, who was fourth in the same event, was late in coming round the bend and should the Shanghai crack jockey be up on the make to-morrow, Mr. Eu's candidate is dangerous to turn the scale. Boolat Bay, Jobert, and Tampa Bay are not bad for big money.

to-morrow's main contest. The event has attracted no less than 18 entries against a handful of last year. Mr. Eu Tong-sen, who captured the cup last season, has nominated Blue Express and Rose Emily, the best being Blue Express to be ridden by Mr. Encarnacao. Sir Victor Sanson has a couple and Eve of Harvest has proved to be the best minion over a distance. Of the two belonging to Mr. Li Lan-san, Hectic View and Powerful View are not stayers and the same remarks can be applied to Galaxy and Jennifer. There is no loophole in the adjustment of the poundage between Blue Express, Conquering Time, Eve of Harvest and Hyndford Bridge, but I nominate Eve of Harvest to win to be followed by Conquering Time and Hyndford Bridge.

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The following teams have been specially selected to win in the Home Football programme to-morrow:

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Optional Selections

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Bradford
Celtic

Easy Passage For Rose-Queen

With Scenic View (the winner of Kellett Handicap-second section) out of the way, Rose-Queen should have an easy passage in the Fatshan Handicap (second section) for "C" class China ratters over six furlongs. The second leg of the daily double is on this event and it is earnestly hoped that the mare will not disappoint her lovers. Amherley will be looked after by Mr. Wei while Bistre will have the same jockey in Mr. Chanson. The latter can be trusted to give you a good run for the money, provided of course that the going is firm. Pinfarthings does not require any formal introduction as the chestnut gelding has cost the public quite a good sum of money. I wonder whether his sojourn in Fanning, during the Winter has turned him into another animal?

More Nominations Than Jockeys

A fine novice event has been framed by the racing Stewards. It has presented a fascinating problem to the owners to find jockeys, for there are 23 nominations in the Kongmun Stakes over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in. The following is a list of probable starters and jockeys: Black Diamond, Mr. Payne; Charcoal, Mr. Ho Pak-ming; Gallant Marshal, Mr. Coppin; National Service, Mr. W. K. Yuen; Old Fashioned, Mr. O. Sadick; Patriotic Day, Mr. Wood; Some Hope, Mr. K. A. Ip; Talkative, Mr. C. F. Chiu; Thanksgiving Day, Mr. Lo G. Hin; The Buccaneer, Mr. S. W. Lee; True Love, Mr. G. W. Cooper.

Doncaster Rovers Beaten At Home

London, Apr. 20. In the northern section of the Third Division of the English Football League, Doncaster Rovers, playing at home, were defeated by Bradford City by two goals to one, to-day.—Reuter.

Here And There With "Abe"

Some Facts About 'Two-Ton' Tony Galento

AS has already been announced, Tony Galento, the burly beer-drinking, cigar-smoking bar-tender from New Jersey, is considered as the world's leading heavyweight contender for the championship held by dusky Joe Louis, and will meet the negro in a title bout at the Yankee Stadium on June 28. The New York State Athletic Commission recently sanctioned the fight on condition that Galento appeared before a group of Commission doctors for a thorough physical examination, but Galento had no difficulty at all in passing this test. So arrangements are going ahead for this fight; and meanwhile Joe Louis staked his title against 30-year-old Jack Roper on April 18, winning in the first round. Galento undoubtedly will be the biggest proposition for Louis since he knocked out Schmeling. The New Jersey bar-tender, who has been fighting for some 12 years but failed to achieve other than local recognition until he began posing for publicity pictures along with beer steins and black cigars, has been angling for a bout with Louis for many months. In his campaign to get a fight with the champion, he has often referred

to Joe Louis as "that big bum," thus bringing upon his head the wrath of some of the more sober followers of the fight game in the United States.

Had Pneumonia

HE was considered well on the way to a bout with Louis last summer, but a siege of pneumonia, which almost cost him his life, laid him low, and so weakened him that it was only comparatively recently that he was able to resume fighting. Since returning to the ring, he has knocked out a number of second rate heavyweights in big time, although his performances were not always too satisfactory, as he incurred the displeasures of two States—Michigan and Illinois—and was banned from further appearances there. Galento, nicknamed "Two-ton" because of his immense size, was born in Orange, New Jersey, on March 12, 1910. To-day, his tavern, where he serves behind the bar and trains on large quantities of beer, is situated only a few minutes' walk from the house where he was born. Starting as an amateur Galento was so good and possessed such a devastating wallop that he was urged to turn professional—as much for the sake of his purse as the safety of the boys whom he used to knock around. Since making the step, Galento has scored knock-outs in the first round against Al Ettore, LeRoy Haynes, Harry Thomas, Nathan Mann and Otis Thomas. In the summer of 1938, just before he was scheduled to fight his most important contest, with John Henry Lewis in Philadelphia, pneumonia laid him low. He waged a terrific battle with death, and won; and was scarcely pronounced out of danger than he was back in the ring again.

Lays Off Liquor

APPEARING in yesterday's issue was an article referring to Galento's forthcoming fight with Joe Louis. One of the conditions apparently is that Galento has to remain teetotal, until he has met Louis; otherwise the fight is "off." The authorities, after approving the match, are now afraid that the bartender may not be in a fit condition by the time he meets the champion, and have put him in moral chains. As the writer of the article succinctly put it, the authorities are "turning heavyweight boxing into a subject for a comic strip."

Cricket Politicians

A month before the start of the cricket season the politicians of the game had their innings at Lord's when the Board of Control met to make arrangements for this summer's Tests and the Advisory Committee to discuss matters of county importance. The first job of the Board was to appoint selectors, and, as anticipated, they decided on Percy Fennin as chairman in succession to Sir Tatham Warner. Fennin, who has, as selector, helped to build up a strong England side, was a great batsman in his time and is now a splendid judge of a player.

Gussain Singh (Kumaons), Duda Ram (Kumaons), M. H. Hassan (Rajputana), M. B. Malik (H.P.C.), Shah Wah (Rajputana Rifles), Nerran Singh (Kumaons), Lt. Pritam Nath (Rajputana Rifles), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.) and Partab Singh (Kumaons).

W. J. BRANCH LEADS ANNUAL SILVER KING GOLF TOURNAMENT

London, Apr. 20.

At Moorpark to-day, W. J. Branch, with scores of 70 and 66, aggregating 136, leads the field at the end of the second round in the Silver King Golf Tournament.

Other scores were:
Alfred Padgham 71 68=139
Donald Curtis 74 65=139
Ward 139
Reg. Whitcombe 72 68=140
Henry Cotton 73 71=144
Charles Whitcombe 144
Fifty-seven players with aggregates of 148 or better qualified for the final 36 holes to-morrow over the high course.

Abe Mitchell and Arthur Havers were among the notable non-qualifiers.—Reuter.

Favourite Wins Epsom Trial Stakes

London, Apr. 20. The Epsom Blue Riband Trial Stakes, over one mile and one furlong, resulted in a win for the 10/11 favourite Blue Peter, carrying 8 st. 2 lb., to-day.

Diadoque, starting at 8/1 and carrying 8 st. 12 lb., was second, and Fairfax, starting at 20/1 and carrying 8 st. 12 lb., was third. Nine horses ran in the race. Four lengths separated first and second, and one and a half-lengths second and third. The Derby entries, Point Blank and Bellman, starting at 8/7, and Doublet Llandaff and Heplarch, at 8/2, also ran. Course betting on the Derby before the race was 7/1 on Blue Peter taken.—Reuter.

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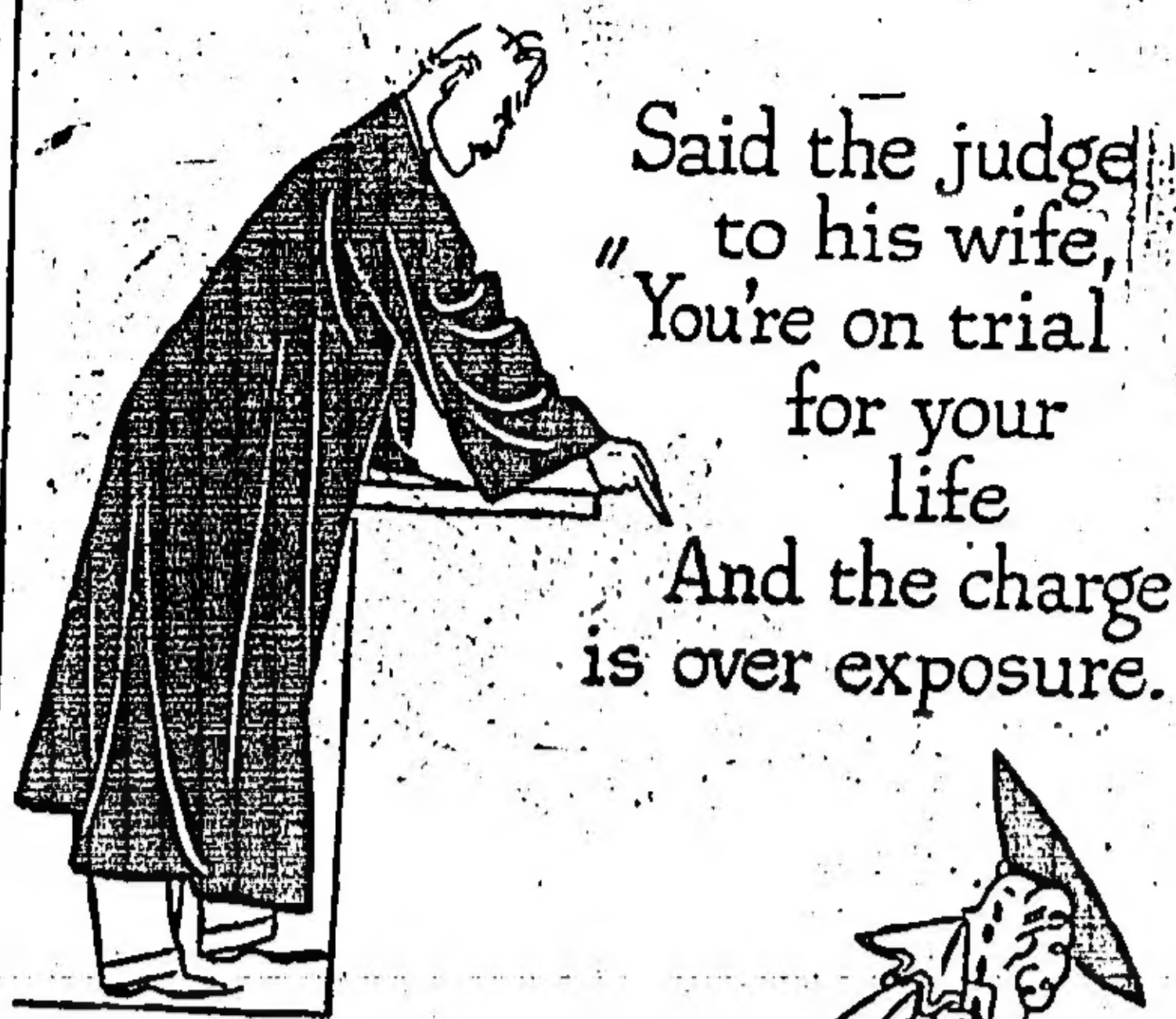


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When you have fixed on your spring hair style (if you choose one of these your hairdresser will be able to copy it from the sketch) bear it in mind when you buy your new spring hat. Be sure the line of the hat balances the line of your hair.

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To help you, study these diagram sketches of the types of hat which will suit each type of hair. If you go in for that softened roll (right), for instance, you can afford to try a smart severe sailor or Breton; if you wear your hair across the nape of your neck (bottom left) balance it with high pillboxes or deep bonnets. If you sweep it boldly back and up (bottom right) you can safely risk one of the more exaggerated and sophisticated new hat shapes.

Ham Cakes

HEAT 1½ pint milk and pour it over 4 ozs breadcrumbs and leave to soak. Then add 1 lb cooked, minced ham, 1 grated apple, and a little finely-chopped parsley. Season to taste and stir in the well-beaten yolk of 1 egg.

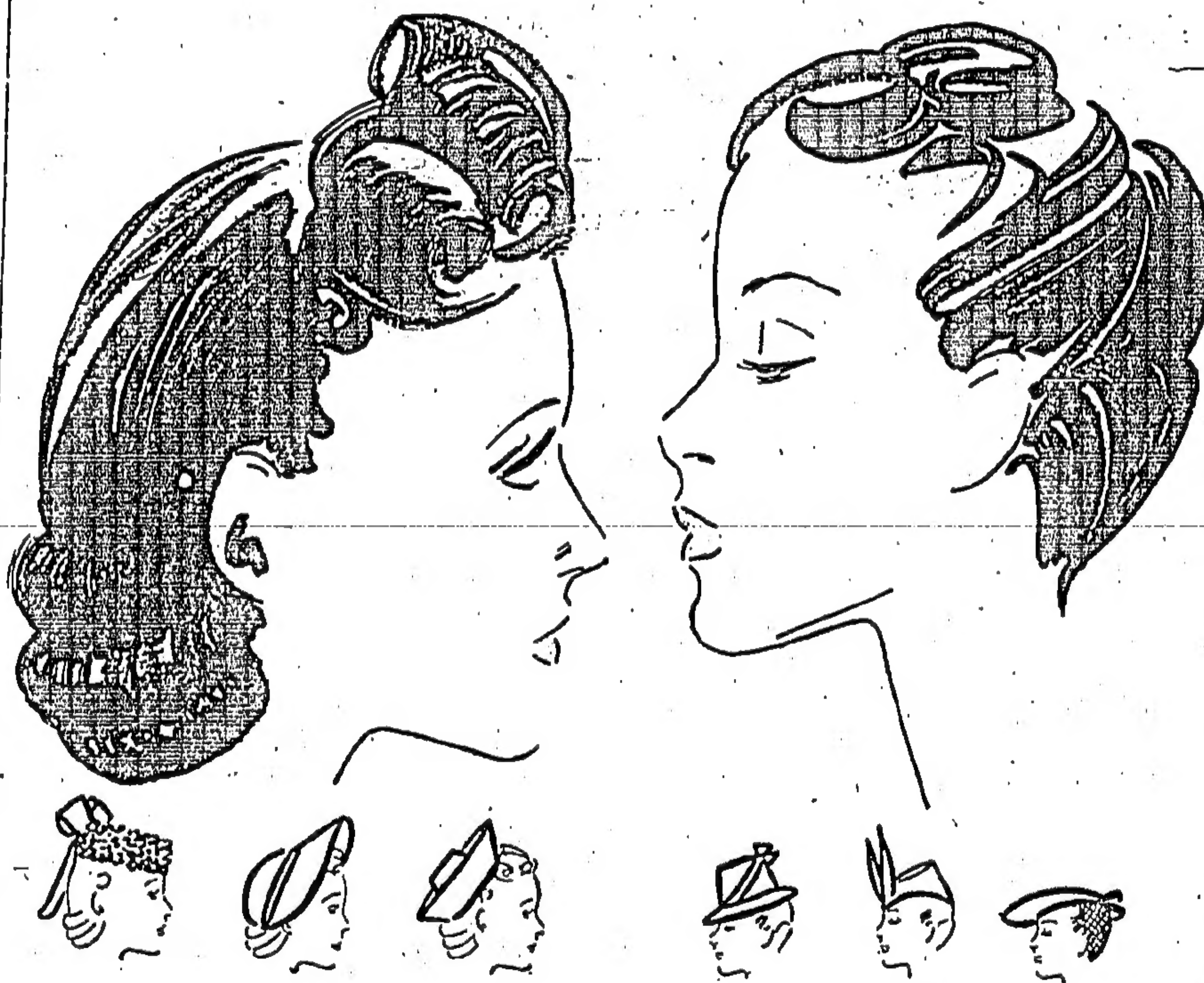
Mould the mixture into flat, round cakes, shaking in a little flour if too moist. Dip each nicole into the well-beaten white of egg, then into fine raspings, and fry to a golden brown on both sides.

Drain well and serve with gravy or tomato sauce.

B. M.



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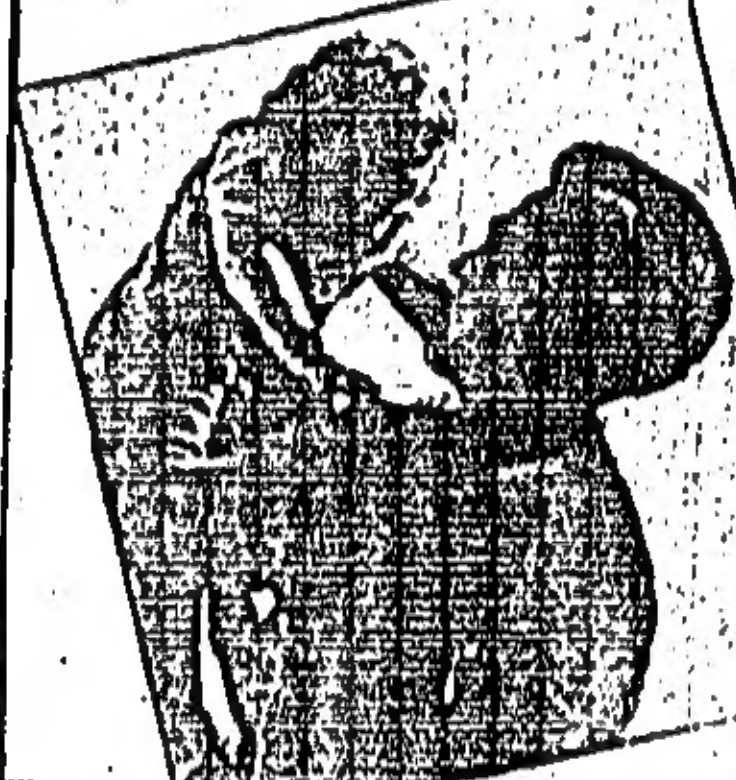
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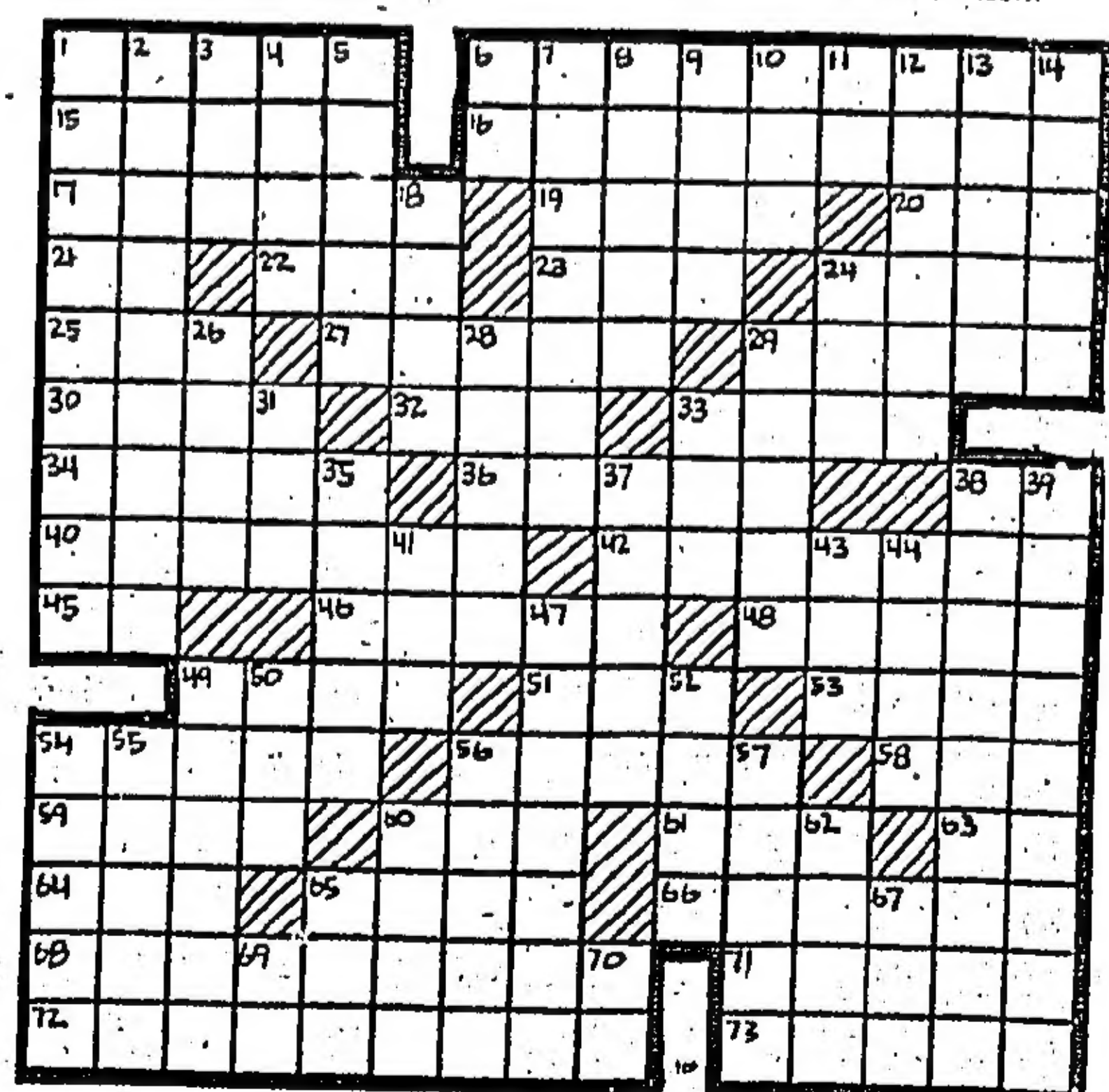


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- ACROSS
- 1—Severity of life
 - 2—Desired large proportion of
 - 3—Kinship exercise
 - 4—Be producing cause
 - 5—Mountains in Wyoming
 - 6—Flightless
 - 7—Palace
 - 8—Fate met by tearing
 - 9—In addition to
 - 10—Apparatus for producing tobacco
 - 11—One course around
 - 12—Premises to drive
 - 13—One who violates
 - 14—Newspaper term
 - 15—Neurotic speech
 - 16—Polymorphic snakes
 - 17—Thin that causes pain
 - 18—Loving young woman
 - 19—That man
 - 20—Waltz tempo
 - 21—Lasting forever
 - 22—Terminator (Scottish)
 - 23—Quintessential rock and in making sugar
 - 24—Greatest nation who turned to stone
 - 25—Prize in words or song
 - 26—Flowing device
 - 27—Water ditchers
 - 28—Lower surface of gum
 - 29—Devoured
- DOWN
- 1—Give life for life
 - 2—Repeated recital
 - 3—Take out intestine of
 - 4—Volatile emanation
 - 5—Pertaining to kidneys
 - 6—Answer to purpose
 - 7—Condition of some tailless storks
 - 8—Swiss tobacco
 - 9—Old interjection
 - 10—South American
 - 11—Indian article
 - 12—Main American
 - 13—Public warehouse
 - 14—Stain
 - 15—Disease of towns
 - 16—Undressed (sailing)
 - 17—Cleaned by flooding
 - 18—Kind of hat
 - 19—Kind of puzzle
 - 20—Strutted middle
 - 21—Name familiar to one
 - 22—Judgmentary
 - 23—Crimson
 - 24—Type of support
 - 25—Blender
 - 26—Tropical American
 - 27—Bird
 - 28—Kicker
 - 29—Latin (sabb.)
 - 30—Italian volcano
 - 31—Lasso
 - 32—Genuines
 - 33—Showiness of achievement
 - 34—Construct with elevation
 - 35—Type of boat
 - 36—Triumph
 - 37—Miss
 - 38—Operative air
 - 39—Dance of nativity
 - 40—Those in office
 - 41—Street (sabb.)



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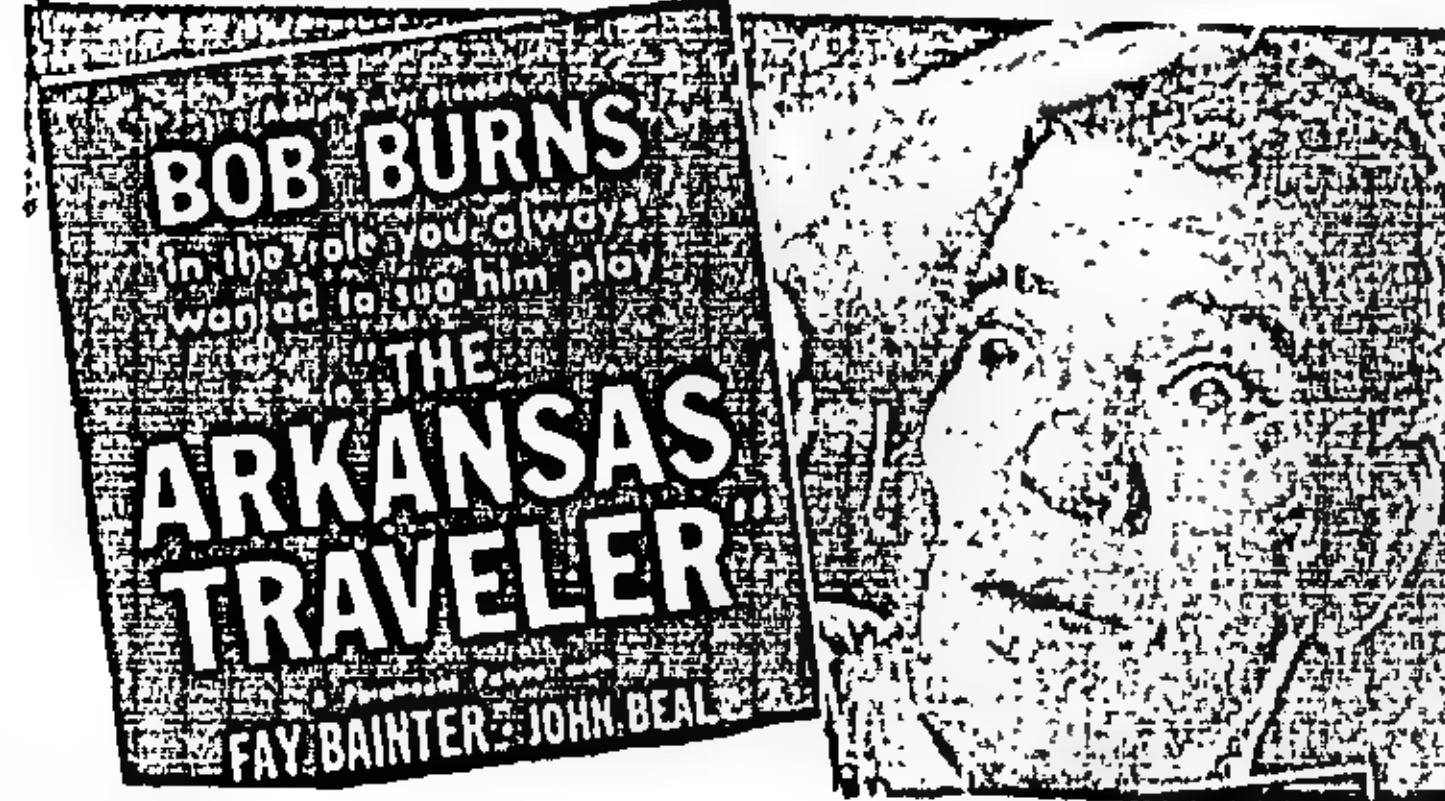
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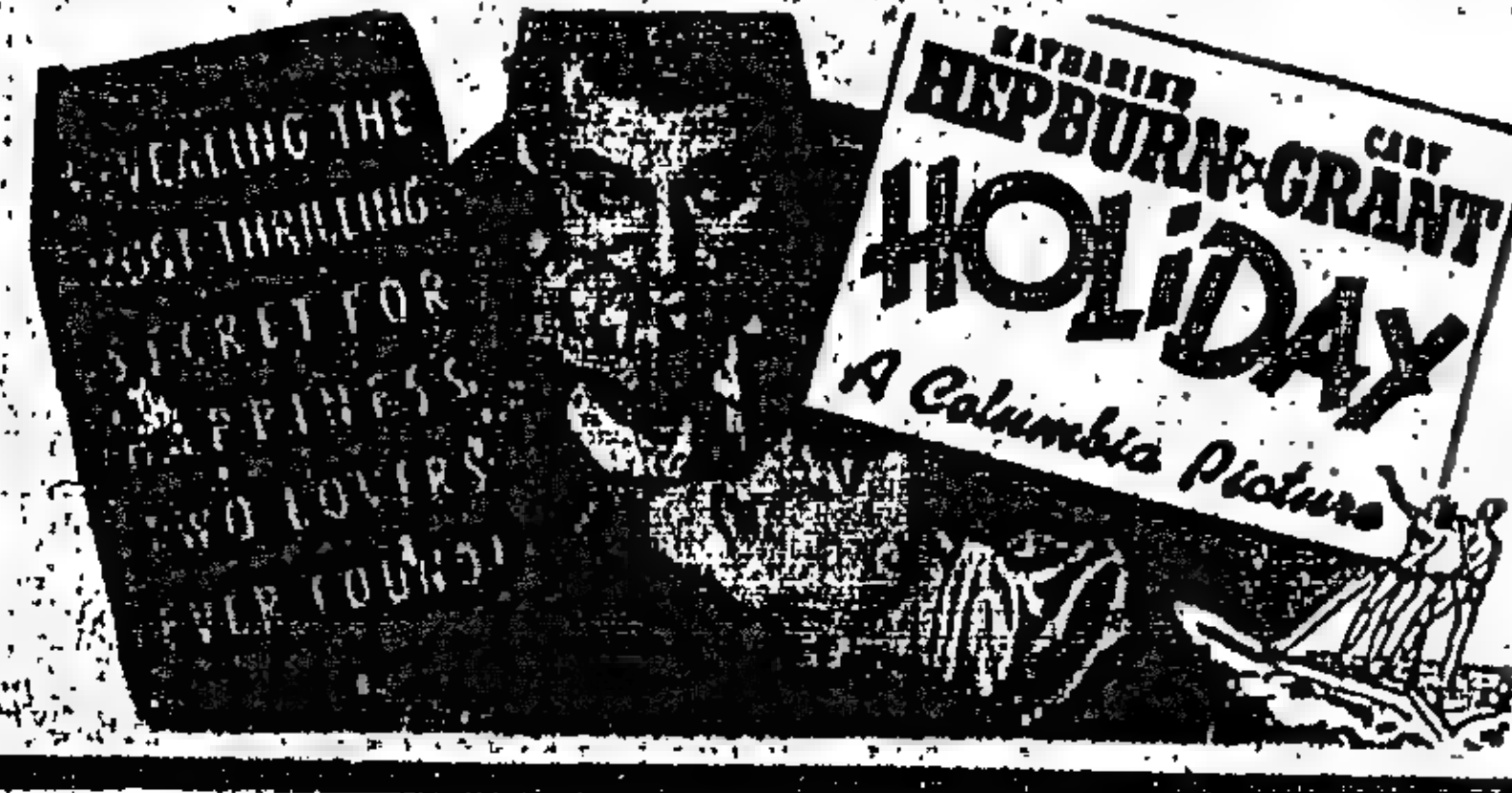
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DEATH SENTENCES

Two Men Found Guilty At Sessions

Sentence of death was passed by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Session yesterday on Leung Chi, 25, and Tsui On-chai, 31, coolies, who were found guilty of the murder of Wong King-cheung at Yau-mati on March 4.

The Crown's case was that Wong was attacked by a gang of men, including the prisoners, and received severe injuries from which he died. The defence was a complete denial.

Mr. J. Whyatt, Crown Counsel, appeared for the prosecution, Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. W. C. Hung, was for the first accused, and the second was represented by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, on the instructions of Mr. P. M. Hodgson.

The following comprised the Jury: Messrs. H. C. H. Becker (Foreman), Poon Kwan-wai, Chan Yung-chai, G. E. Ahwee, Tan Joo-lam, Chung Kum-chuen and Chan Shiu-wa.

Giving evidence, Leung denied having taken part in the attack and said that at the time the murder was committed he was drinking tea in a tea-shop, in Shanghai Street. He did not know Wong. Tsui or the witness who had given evidence against him. The reason why they had testified against him was probably mistaken identity.

Cross-examined, Leung said that the Police Interpreter did not explain the charge to him but merely told him to sign a document. There was no mention of the murdered man's name and he did not know the charge against him.

Mr. Whyatt: If you, in answer to the charge, say "I did not have a quarrel with him"—I did not quarrel with him.

Judge's Warning

Counsel said that was not what he asked and repeated the question more than ten times, but accused gave the same answer, whereupon he was advised by His Lordship that it was in his own interests, in view of the gravity of the charge against him, to give a direct reply, otherwise the Jury might draw an adverse inference.

Leung repeated that he did not quarrel with Wong, and His Lordship then said: "If you do not answer such a simple question, I shall write down in my notes that you declined to answer, despite being repeatedly asked, and this will do you no good. I did say that, because I in fact did not quarrel with him."

Mr. Whyatt: Who were you referring to then if you did not know the murder d man's name?—The interpreter mentioned the name of a person whom I did not know.

Were you referring to the man whose name was read out to you?—Yes, but I do not remember what his name was.

Further questioned, Leung denied knowledge of the Wo Shing Wo and Sha Lok Yau Societies or having been to 107 Temple Street.

Tsui told the Court that on the morning of the crime he went to Shanghai Street, by way of Reclamation Street, and then to Kowloon where he looked for work. He remained there the whole day, watching people fishing.

Tsui said he did not take part in the murder, nor did he know Wong or the witnesses for the Crown.

Address to Jury

In his address to the Jury, Mr. Whyatt pointed out the absence of any suggestion by the defence that what the witnesses for the Crown had said was anything but what they honestly believed to be true. This meant that everyone of the witnesses was honest and therefore their evidence that they positively saw the two prisoners in the attack must be believed.

Mr. Macnamara reminded the Jury that human testimony was always fallible and said there had been numerous cases where honest and upright people—and well-intentioned at the time—had picked out persons who later turned out to be not the ones whom they believed they saw.

Mr. Anderson asked the Jury to bear in mind that of the 16 witnesses called for the prosecution only four in any way implicated Tsui. Of these four, two might be called the mainstays of the Crown's case, but their evidence was unreliable in that they later attempted to fit in the stories they had told in the Magistrate's court.

Tsui, Counsel continued, was alleged to have stabbed Wong in the back, but the evidence of the doctor told of no such injury. In fact, each of the witnesses deposed to one individual blow and in different

places, and this evidence must be regarded as unreliable in view of the fact that they claimed to be eye-witnesses.

"Of the four persons who identified Tsui, everyone stated they had known him for some time and there was not one person produced who could say that he had recognised the man although he did not know him. Is it not possible that these witnesses who accused Tsui had made a suggestion identical to the scene which they saw?" asked Mr. Anderson.

Summing Up

In his summing up, His Lordship reminded the Jury of the gravity of the charge and their heavy responsibility. He said that as no circumstances had been put forward which might reduce the indictment to one of manslaughter, their verdict must be either guilty or not guilty of murder.

The most important and perhaps interesting witness for the Crown was the girl hawker, Leung Ngan-nui, who had all the faults of her sex—an incurable curiosity—though she gave the impression that she was rather stupid. She had, however, stuck to her story of having seen both accused men, and although Mr. Anderson had made a suggestion tantamount to her having committed perjury, he (His Lordship) could not find anything why she should do so.

The defence had put forward an alibi, and yet they had not seen fit to call witnesses in support of it, though this might easily be done. Their reactions to the horrible charge of murder did not appear to be that of an ordinary or normal person, for if they were innocent, they would have at once demanded that inquiries be made in the places where they said they had been, but they did not do so.

Human observations and testimony, went on His Lordship, were essentially fallible, but in the present case if the Jury were to adopt the alibi, they would be disregarding totally the seven witnesses who had stated positively that they saw both accused among the attackers, and to accept the unsupported stories of the defence.

The Jury retired for 15 minutes and when they had returned, the verdict of guilty. His Lordship said to the prisoners: "You have been found guilty on abundantly clear evidence of a deliberate, persistent and abominably cruel attack on Wong King-cheung when he was defenceless, sitting in a tea-house with his back to you."

The condemned men were led from the dock protesting their innocence.

His Lordship exempted the Jury from service for a year and told both Mr. Macnamara and Mr. Anderson that if they had any representations to make on behalf of the prisoners they were to forward them to the proper quarter.

AIR CAPTAIN'S DEATH Coroner Finds No Evidence Of Negligence

A finding of death from misadventure, with no blame attached to anyone, was returned by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest sitting as Coroner at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when the inquiry into the death of Wong Hon-man, 28, captain in the Chinese Air Force, who died following an operation at the Hongkong Sanatorium and Hospital, Happy Valley, concluded.

Wong died on March 20, shortly after he had been operated on for a dislocated shoulder, from ether anaesthesia. The operation was performed by Dr. Phoon Seck-wah, assisted by Dr. E. W. J. Sun, and the ether anaesthetic was administered by Dr. Au Yeung, surgeon attached to the Chinese Air Force, but not registered in Hongkong.

Mr. George She, instructed by Messrs. Lo and Lo, watched the proceedings on behalf of the hospital. Mr. P. H. Sin held a watching brief on behalf of Dr. Phoon, and Mr. D. L. Strellett was present for the Chinese Commission for Aeronautical Affairs. In delivering his finding, the Coroner remarked that there had been no evidence of negligence.

PROTEST TO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

(Continued from Page 7.)

The latest terrorist outrage made him consider that the Municipal Council lacked sincerity for the maintenance of peace and order in the International Settlement.

He requested a guarantee for the security of the International Settlement in future.—Domet.

PRESS ATTACK

Shanghai, Apr. 20. The Japanese newspaper Tairiku Shinpo publishes an editorial charging the Municipal Council with anti-Japanese intentions owing to their failure to remove Chinese flags, similar to the French Concession, where the actions of the French police were praised.

The editorial says: "There is undeniable proof that the anti-Japanese elements made the rounds of Chinese shops and households of the International Settlement, compelling Chinese to hoist flags without the least interference from the Municipal police."

It says that the Municipal Council was "indecisive and also failed to give proper regard to the Japanese warnings. It proves that the Settlement has discarded neutrality."

Meanwhile the Chinese Press demands that the Chinese Government protest to France regarding the French police activities in the French concession.—United Press.

FLAGS DISPUTE

Shanghai, Apr. 20. The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, after ordering Chinese stores to open for business, said that they have undertaken all negotiations with the French authorities, upon which they presented three requests: The French police to return to Chinese stores all the confiscated flags; All Chinese who have been arrested to be released; To grant to Chinese residents and storekeepers in the French Concession the right to fly Chinese flags at any time according to their own free will.—United Press.

MARITAL DISPUTE

Wife Suspects Cookboy Of Affair With Amah

A neatly dressed cookboy, Sing Man said to be employed by a European family in Jubilee Buildings, Kowloon, was charged before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with assaulting his wife.

Det-Sergeant Pope said the couple had had trouble for some time because the woman suspected her husband of infidelity with an amah in the house.

Complainant continually visited her husband's place of employment and quarrelled with him. She had been warned to keep away from the house but she paid no notice.

Defendant assaulted her in a house in Pilek Street, Yau-mati, with a wood chopper and she was sent to hospital and attended for a wound on the head.

Sgt. Pope said that the assault might have been more serious, as the chopper was a heavy one. Sing was fined \$10, or one month's hard labour, and bound over in \$25 to keep the peace, especially towards the complainant, for a year.

Mr. Macfadyen advised the woman to refrain from going to her husband's place of work to cause trouble.

LATE NEWS

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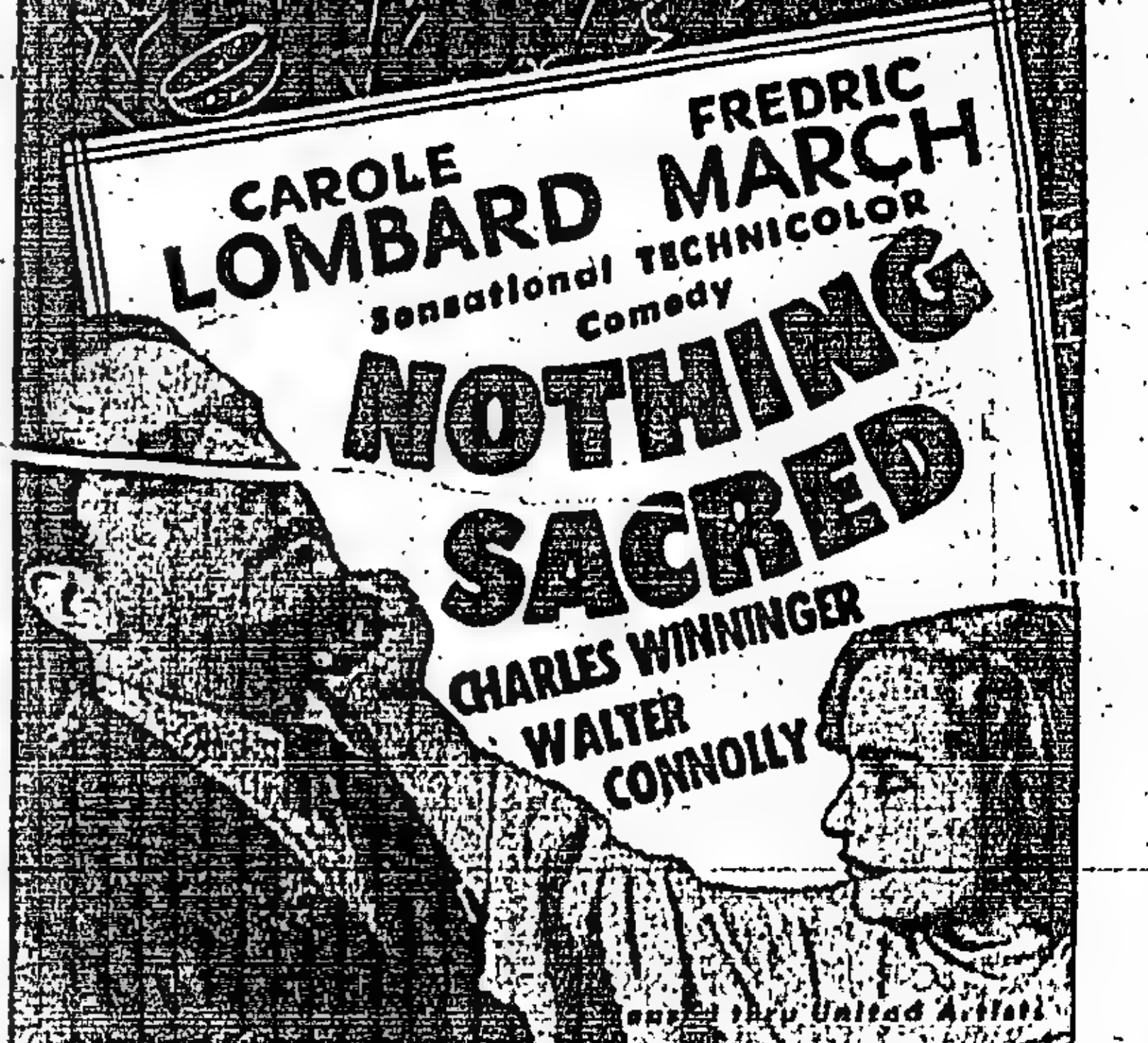
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Shopkeeper Not Fooled By Forged Letter

Before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Wong Wing-nuen, Ng Tsai, and Chan Yee, a woman were charged with attempting to obtain money by false pretences and conspiracy to defraud. They denied the charges.

Detective-Sergeant R. Macvey said that a few days ago, a shop-keeper, Lui Pak-yuen, received a letter purporting to have been written by his cousin in Macao, and which contained a request that money was to be handed to a man named Chan Kwai-hung, who would call for it.

All defendants were convicted. Wong and Ng were sentenced to three months' hard labour on each count, and the woman received sentence of six months' hard labour on each count, as she had two previous convictions. All the sentences are to run concurrently.

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WILLIAM HENRY DUPEN, AN ENGINEER, WALKED INTO THE OFFICE OF WORKS, SEIZED SOME SECRET PLANS AND TORE THEM UP. AND HE SAYS HE HAS NO REGRETS.

Even the time he spent in a police cell he enjoyed. While he was there he wrote an "Ode to Bow-street," where he was sentenced recently to a day's imprisonment and ordered to pay £5 costs.

He offered the court a silver cup in payment; this was refused.

In court, Dupen, who lives at Kinfauns-road, Goodmayes, Ilford, told the magistrate, Sir Rollo Graham-Campbell, that he tore up the plans as a protest after being "jockeyed out of his job" at the Office of Works.

When he was released, after the court rose, he talked about his experience.

A short, grey-haired man, aged 50, he was dressed in a double-breasted jacket and farmer's gaiters. "I spent the time in the cells quite comfortably," he said, a smile playing round his humorous mouth. "While I was there I wrote this little ode, which I am calling 'An Ode to Bow-street.'"

ENJOYED THE RIDE

Drawing a magazine from a pocket bulging with engineer's blue prints and other documents, Mr. Dupen showed me the fruit of his time in the cells, scrawled in the margin: "I spent a day in a government cell, for which I must pay £5 as well. As one of the competent unemployed, I gave some work to the Government boys."

I tore up some of Whitehall's plans, enjoyed a ride in one of their vans, lived, in fact, on the fat of the land. So now I will soon be "a leading hand" in this busy part of the "Better Land."

"Not perfect," Mr. Dupen remarked, "but you can't get that perfect polish in a police cell."

Even Oscar Wilde and Horatio Bottomley, didn't do their best work in prison.

Mr. Dupen has no regrets about having torn up the secret plans, "I did it as a protest," he said. "I have worked all my life, and up to the slump in 1931 was doing quite well."

OFFER REFUSED

"I took on a temporary job at the Office of Works, but got jockeyed out of it after three years."

"With all this extra work being done on national defence, I thought there was room for me, but I was told to 'Shove off' when I applied."

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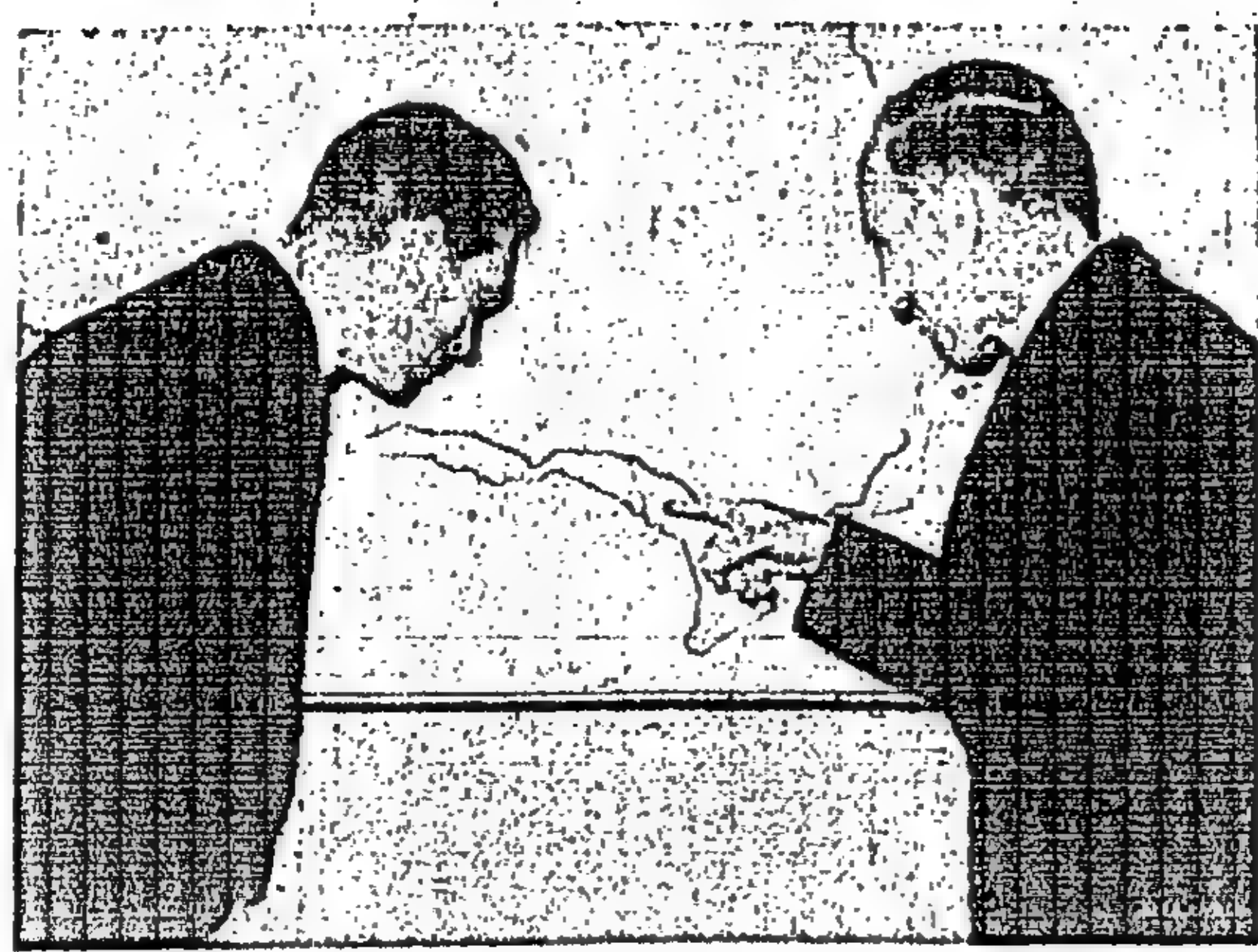
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"Met In Film Studio"

AN ACTION FOR SLANDER IS BEING BROUGHT AGAINST SIR OSWALD MOSLEY, 43-YEARS-OLD LEADER OF THE BRITISH UNION OF FASCISTS, BY A 21-YEARS-OLD ACTRESS, MISS MARY TAVERNAN, OF LINTON HOUSE, HOLLAND PARK AVENUE, W.11.

Sir Oswald Mosley's address is given as Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith-street, London, S.W.1.

Service of the writ has been accepted on his behalf by Messrs. Langdon and Passmore, of Bolton-street, London, W.1. Plaintiff's solicitors are Messrs. George Hindle, of Piccadilly.

BEAUTY

Miss Mary Tavernan, the plaintiff, who lives with her mother in a West End luxury flat, is a noted society beauty, and has appeared on the stage and in several films.

Miss Tavernan said that she first met Sir Oswald six years ago, and at one time was a member of the British Union of Fascists.

"We met at a film studio at Elstree in 1933, when the late Mr. Ludwig Blattner, the producer, was

Schoolboy Sues Master For Assault

AN 11-year-old schoolboy, who alleged that he had been assaulted by the master of an L.C.C. school, was plaintiff in an action before Mr. Justice Humphreys, and a special jury in the King's Bench Division recently.

Alfred John Hyde who lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred George Hyde, of Beresford Road, Newington Green Road, N., claimed damages from the L.C.C. and Mr. George Harry Jarvis, the master. Mr. and Mrs. Hyde were also plaintiffs, asking to be reimbursed certain expenses.

The boy's case was that while he was at the Newington Green Junior Boys' School he was struck by Mr. Jarvis and fell on a desk, injuring his nose.

The L.C.C. and Mr. Jarvis denied the assault and pleaded that Hyde tripped and fell against the desk.

The boy, in his evidence, had said he was told by Mr. Jarvis to collect some books and was a bit slow "so he hit me on the side of the head with his open hand and I fell against a desk."

FOR JUDGES ONLY

The Judge: They have not, by Act of Parliament, abolished the right of a master to chastise a boy?

Mr. Russell Vick, K.C. (for the boy): I don't think so.

Mr. Justice Humphreys: I know it is strongly disapproved in some circles. I think it is only judges who in future may not be allowed to order such punishment! (Laughter.)

Mrs. Hyde, in evidence, said that when she called to see Mr. Jarvis about the incident he admitted that he lost his temper.

The hearing was adjourned.

Boy Gives His Arm For Dove

Thirteen-year-old Bob Wilson was indignant when he found that some of his boy friends had a nest with a tiny dove in it.

For they had taken it from a tree-top in Whitmore Square, Adelaide, South Australia.

There was a scuffle. Finally Bob secured the nest with the fledgling still in it and climbed twenty feet to replace it on the tree-top.

A tough broke and he fell to the ground, breaking his left arm. And now the arm has had to be amputated to prevent the spread of infection.

"I wanted to be a sailor, but I won't be much good at that now," Bob said after the operation.

General Store Rolls

Wickford Junction, R. I. The general store "went for a ride" recently causing anxious shoppers to follow its progress along the street for a half-mile or more. The building, 30 by 40 feet, rolled to its new location along a four-lane highway.

EMPIRE NEWS

MYSTERY PLANE AT CAPE TOWN

CAPE TOWN. There is considerable mystery locally concerning an unknown aeroplane seen flying above Cape Town in bright moonlight recently. No local machines were then flying. It was thought that the machine might be from the German aeroplane service ship Schwabenland, 8,188 tons, belonging to the Luftwaffe company, which at that time was 300 miles off Cape Town.

The Schwabenland, which arrived from the Antarctic, carries two seaplanes and catapult apparatus.

It is denied by the Schwabenland that her planes made any flights. A question was asked in the Assembly yesterday as to whether an express invitation had been given by the Government to three German air force officers who recently flew to South Africa and South-West Africa. Mr. Pirow, Minister of Defence, replied in the negative.

Broadcasts from Europe—Replying to a question in the House of Commons, Mr. C. F. Clarke, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, said that at present no check was kept on broadcasts to South Africa by European countries, and whether they contained news of propaganda they were not transcribed. The matter, however, was receiving attention.

AUSTRALIA

TRADE UNIONS AND DEFENCE

SYDNEY. While Australia is in the midst of an enormous defence effort the All-Australian Trade Union Congress recently decided to refuse to collaborate with the Lyons Ministry programme, "on the ground that the Ministry has allied itself with Mr. Chamberlain's appeasement policy."

INDIA

ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS FUND £570,000

CALCUTTA. With receipts from contributions reaching a figure of over £570,000, the Marchioness of Linlithgow's appeal for the King-Emperor's Anti-Tuberculosis Fund has now been closed.

Kenya Censure Motion—The House of Assembly at New Delhi recently passed, without a division, the Congress Party's adjournment motion of censure of the Government for failure to secure an annulment of the reservation policy regarding the Kenya Highlands.—Reuter.

NEW ZEALAND

SOCIALIST PARTY CONFERENCE

AUCKLAND. Widespread interest is being taken in the annual conference of the Socialist party to be held in Wellington from April 10 to 13. All records have been broken in the number of nominations for the various offices.

A large number of resolutions will be debated, dealing with the constitution and rules. This conference is the only one at which such matters can be dealt with until after the next general election.



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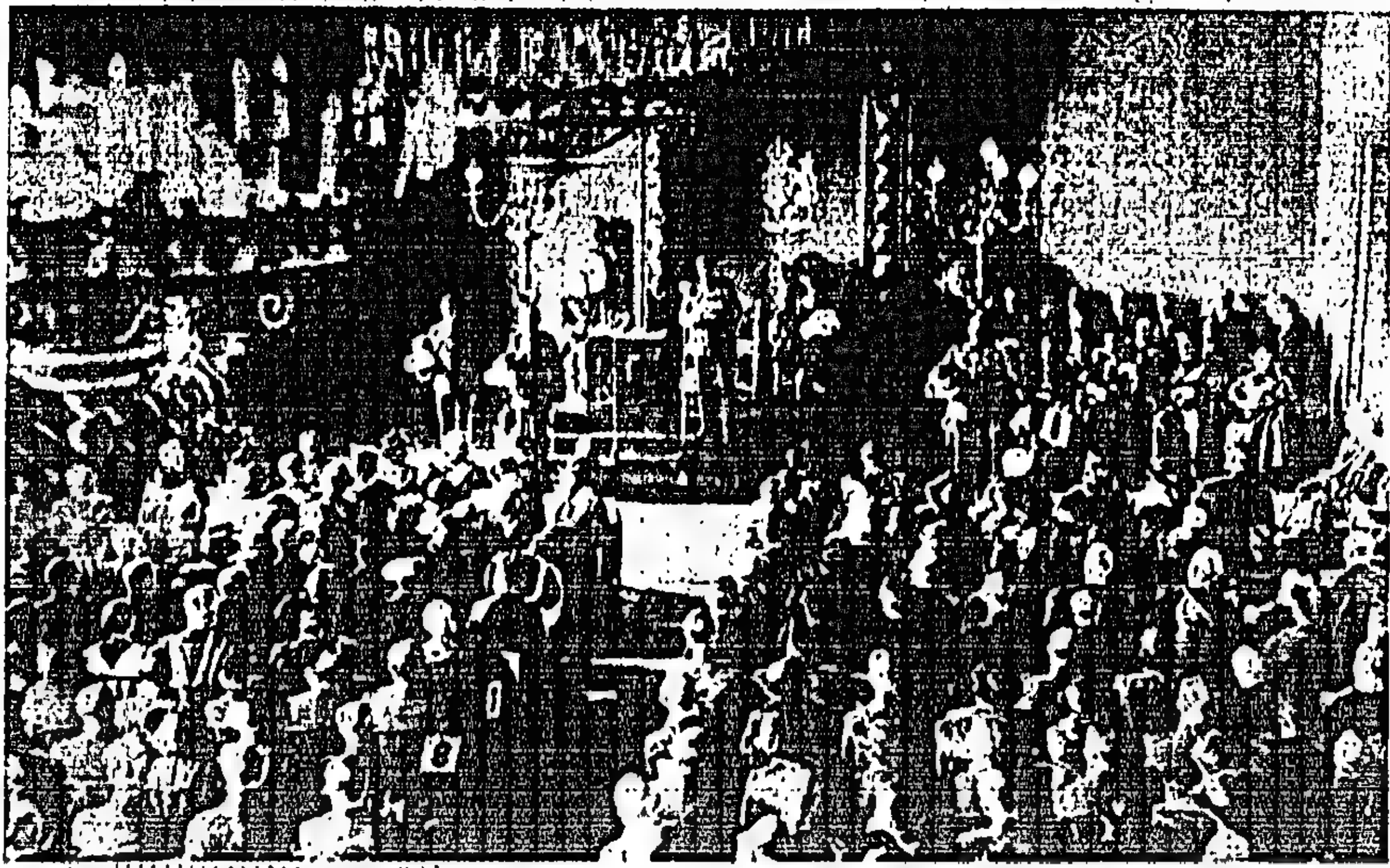
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Proclaiming the new constitution of Malta: The Governor, Sir Charles Bonham-Carter (standing on the dais in centre background), making the announcement in the old palace at Valletta. The Letters Patent, granting Malta a new Constitution, were recently promulgated by the Governor, General Sir Charles Bonham-Carter. Under this system there will be a Council of 20 members—3 official, 2 nominated, and 10 elected. The Governor will preside with a casting vote, and will have the right to speak. Ecclesiastics are precluded from membership. Its business will be conducted in English, but those without adequate English may use Maltese, their words being translated by an interpreter. English is to be the official language of the Administration, and Maltese that of the Courts.

Women P.C.s Must Be Free To Wed, Says M.P.

WOMEN police recently found a new champion for their marriage rights when Dr. Edith Summerskill, Socialist M.P., asked the House to modify recruiting regulations.

Women police, it is claimed, have to pledge themselves on enlisting that they will not marry, or, if they do, that they will leave the force.

Dr. Summerskill asked the Home Secretary for new regulations permitting married women to join the force or to get married without relinquishing their jobs.

She maintained that the existing ban is one of the reasons why the force is under strength.

Dr. Summerskill's question was the first blow in a general campaign which is to be fought for

married women in many professions.

The marriage ban on women civil servants will also be raised in the House. It is claimed that many women typists and clerks are forced

SEA HARE.

Exercising his dogs recently on the beach near Southwold, Mr. Harry Alderton saw a hare on the shingle ahead of him.

He shouted to frighten it back to the fields fringing the beach. Instead, the hare bounded into the sea and swam out, followed by the dogs.

After the hare had gone about 400 yards, the dogs, out-distanced, gave up the chase.

Their quarry returned to the beach at another point and escaped inland.

to keep their marriages a secret from Whitehall authorities. The marriage rights of nurses and school-teachers will also come under discussion.

PARIS FASHION NEWS

BEACH WEAR 'GOES PIRATE'

PARIS. BEACHES will be gay with pirates this summer, if Paris fashion dictators have their way.

There is a dashing buccaneer flavour about much of the beach wear, shown in draped panties in "doubletons," "Long John Silver" knee-stop shorts, and three-quarter-length bos'n trousers.

Slacks are narrower this season, and have deserted the conservative one-colour linens and flannels to be colourful in plaids, enormous checks, and stripes.

Shorts, too, are narrower and more like schoolboy attire. Abbreviated play skirts over contrasting shorts are still popular, this season worn with neat shirt blouses or boleros that conceal a sun-bathing top.

Besides the severely tailored, colourful jackets worn with slacks, there are above-the-knee skirts, smocks in pastel-coloured or flowered shantung, which have sun-bathing tops to match.

Loose silk shirts made like men's shirts slit at the sides, are also worn outside slacks or shorts. A new version of the more dignified ankle-length beach gown is a trouser skirt in flowered material. This slips off to reveal neat trunks or rompers underneath.

Wool is more and more the vogue for beach wear, in flowered lightweight material that is at once airy and comfortable to wear after bathing.

Bathing suits have gone tartan or may be brightly striped or boldly checked.

Beach bags resemble blanket rolls

or carpet bags of the American civil war period. Wool bonnet collures and peasant handkerchiefs vie with huge cartwheel sun-hats and Mexican brims.

Beach jewellery includes tinted porcelain necklaces of shellfish—pale pink lobsters, green clams, nautilus—and flowers.

"ONLY-CHILD" NEUROSIS

A vigorous attack on flats and flat life, and on what he called "only childism" and suburban neurosis, was made by Sir Walter Langdon-Brown recently.

He was addressing the joint conference of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association and the Cambridge research branch of the Council for the Preservation of Rural England at Trinity College, Cambridge.

"The increase in flats and the fall of the birth rate are not merely coincidental," he said. "Only-childism has become a prevalent form of neurosis."

"STUNTS THE MIND"

The huge mushroom dormitories which were springing up all round London, also produced problems of their own. "The absence of communal life, of social interests, of civic centres, lead to a deadness which must react unfavourably on the existence of the inhabitants," he added. "No wonder the mass enthusiasm of cup ties, greyhound racing and the excitement of the football pools have such an appeal."

Declaring that garden cities were the answer to many of the psychological discontents, Sir Walter remarked: "Since the war we have allowed the slum which stunts the body to be replaced by the slum which stunts the mind."

JOHN ROWLAND IS BABY OF THE CITY

THE first baby boy to be born during more than fifty years in the City Greenyard, where the Lord Mayor's coach is kept, was carried across Fore-street to the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate, recently to be baptised.

They called him John Rowland Burbidge. His father is the Superintendent of the City Greenyard, and John Rowland was named after one of the City Sheriffs, Mr. Frederick Rowland.

John Rowland is now the youngest citizen in the greatest city in the world, the City of London, whose 9,333 inhabitants share between them a tradition of nearly ten unbroken centuries.

In the church in which he was baptised Oliver Cromwell was married; Milton lies there, and so does Sir Martin Froisher, who fought against the Spanish Armada.

Mr. Albert King, the vergor, who prepared the font for the ceremony, was born in the Greenyard and was baptised in the same font—so were his father and grandfather. Young John Rowland's grandfather was baptised there, too, and his great-grandfather.

And when John Rowland grows up and marries you can depend upon it that his children will be baptised in this church, which has received the City's babies these last 800 years.

YOU CAN GROW A COALIE-FLOWER

DO you know what a coalie-flower is? It is the newest thing in table decoration, and is spreading through England. This is how you can grow one: Mix a small bottle of red ink (2d. size) with three table spoons of household ammonia, two table spoons of salt, three packets of a special powder blue, and three table spoons of cold water.

Then place four or five pieces of coal, about the size of small oranges, in a glass bowl, and pour the mixture over them.

If you stand the bowl in a warm place and add a table-spoon of water and a teaspoon of salt every second day you will soon have a bowl full of pretty coalie-flower—a coral-like growth.

Artificial Earthquakes For New Zealand

Auckland.

New Zealand is soon to experience some artificial earthquakes as well as the real ones which occasionally rock parts of the country.

The artificial 'quakes will be quite harmless, however, and will help in the quest for oil on the west coast of the North Island.

Details of this novel oil-searching method were given by Mr. R. C. Clark, a physicist in the employ of the Standard Oil Company of America, when he arrived here from the United States.

He will be in charge of the seismological party that will shortly conduct surveys on the North Island.

Since he graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1927, Mr. Clark has specialised in this class of work, and with teams of scientific earthquake-makers he has traversed the oilfields of Louisiana, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado and many other states.

The general idea, behind the seismological work to be done is creation of miniature earthquakes by setting off small dynamite charges at various depths, he explained.

The vibrations set up by the concussion travelled through the earth, were reflected from certain formations such as limestone, and recorded on special equipment used for that precise purpose.

The data gathered in this way enabled him to say what geological structures lay beneath the ground

surface, and to determine their locations.

This was an essential part of modern prospecting methods, since there must be some form of geological structure forming reservoirs for oil accumulations.

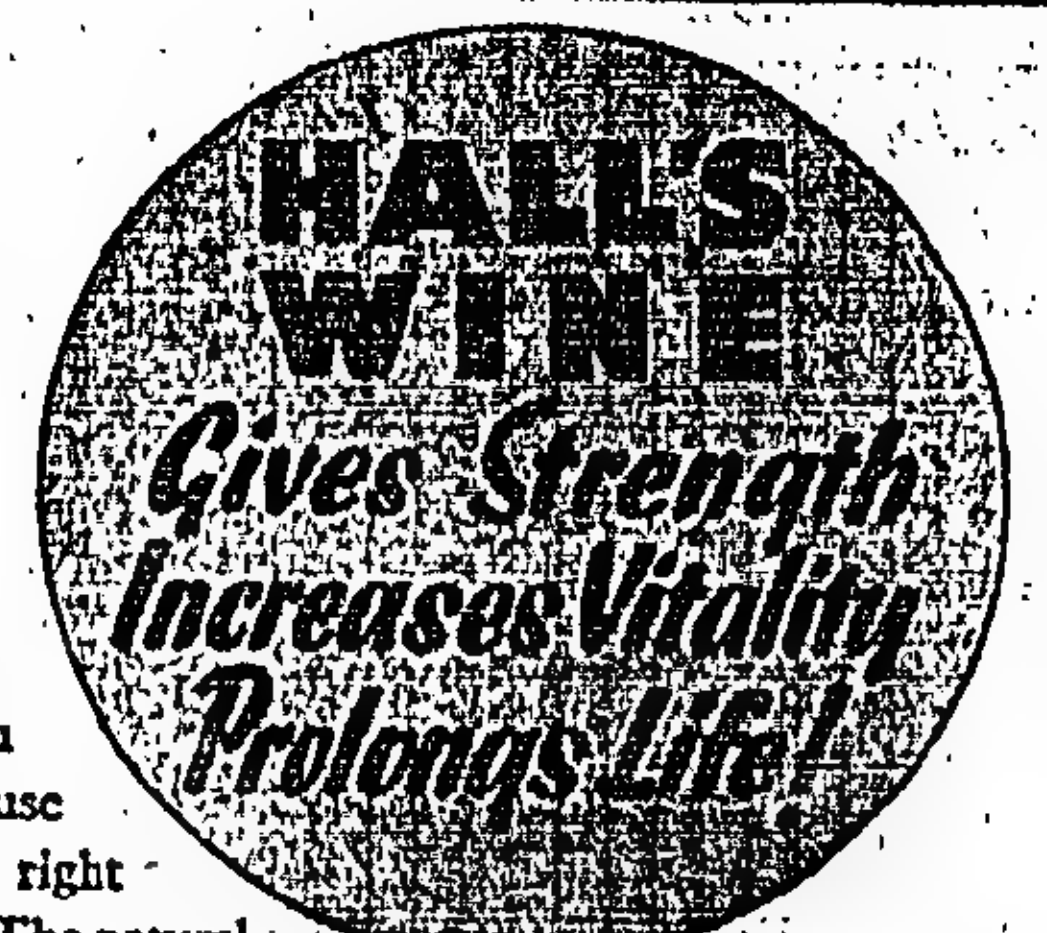
"In no sense do we discover oil," Mr. Clark said. "We merely locate subterranean structures favourable to the accumulation of oil."

CHILDREN WHO WON'T EAT

There's nothing so wearing for a mother as a child who won't eat well. Usually such a child is the "nervy" highly-strung type. He picks at his food, looks pale and loses weight.

Coaxing won't improve matters. Child specialists everywhere recommend Horlicks for these "nervy" children with faded appetites.

The reason is that Horlicks not only builds bone and muscle, but it stimulates their appetites for the foods they need. In a remarkably short time they get strong, healthy, full of life and "go." And children love the taste of Horlicks. Get Horlicks to-day.



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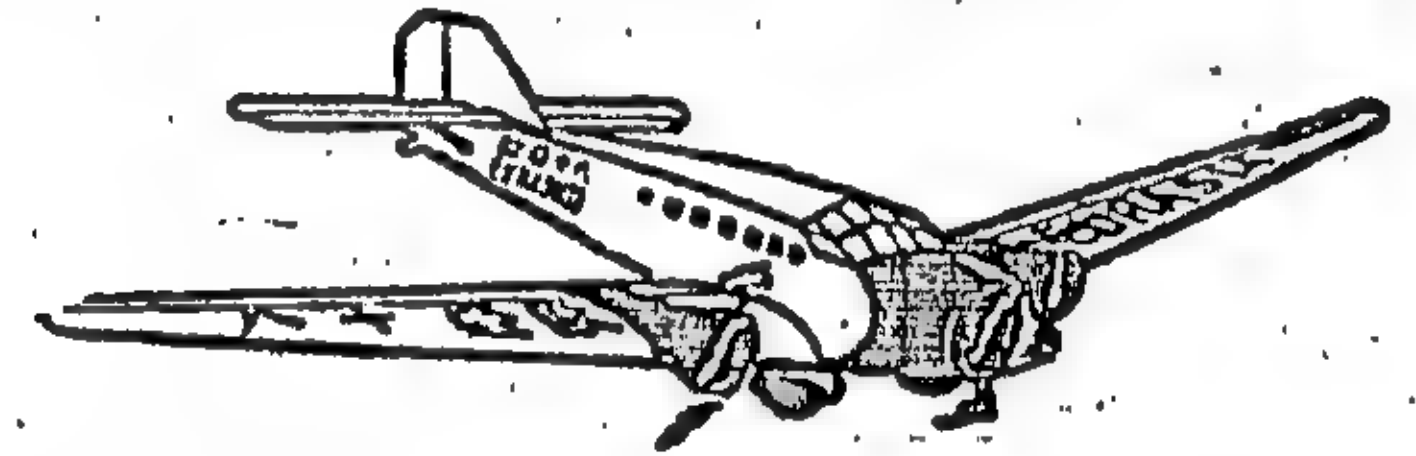


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on any Tuesday and Fridays

at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage

period. For the examination of

damaged dutiable goods, the consignee

must arrange for a Revenue

Officer to be present.

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here, after which date they cannot

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No claims will be admitted after

the goods have left the Godowns.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISYA.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1939.

Le Havre, Apr. 20.

Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, with her

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The Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, 5th Floor, on Wednesday, 26th April, 1939, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 22nd April, to Wednesday, 26th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1939.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Third Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Head Office, No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, April 22nd, 1939, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The Transfer Register will be closed from April 10th to 22nd, 1939 inclusive.

By Order of the
Board of Directors,
M. Y. TANG,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, April 1, 1939.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Power-of-Attorney granted by the undersigned to Iqbal Mahan Singh on the 23rd March, 1936 as well as all Powers-of-Attorney given by the said Iqbal Mahan Singh under the substitution clause in the original Power has or have been revoked. All creditors in respect of liabilities incurred by the said Iqbal Mahan Singh are requested to present their claims to the undersigned within two weeks from the date hereof, after which date no claims will be recognized.

Dated the 19th day of April, 1939.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES AND UNDERWRITERS

S/S "SONTAY"

5th Voyage 1939.

Notice is hereby given that the above mentioned having grounded on the 15th of March, 1939, off Djibouti, general average has been declared on all cargo on board.

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong loaded previous to this accident, are hereby requested to sign a general average bond supported by two copies of the original invoices and pay a 6% average deposit on the C.I.F. value of the goods before the cargo can be delivered.

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R. OHL,
Agent.

Hongkong, the 20th April, 1939.

LONDON, Apr. 20.—Earl Stanhope, First Lord of the Admiralty, was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace this evening before His Majesty returned to Windsor.—British Wireless.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London	1s. 2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	1s. 2 1/2
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	104 1/2
T.T. India	81 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	28 1/2
T.T. Manila	57 1/2
T.T. Batavia	53 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	162
T.T. Saigon	107 1/2
T.T. France	12 1/2
T.T. Germany	71
T.T. Switzerland	126 1/2
T.T. Australia	170 1/2

BUYING

4 m/s L/c London	1/21 1/2
4 m/s D/p do.	1/23 1/2
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	29
4 m/s France	11 1/2
30 d/s India	82 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.68

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

H.K. Banks	1,355
H.K. Banks Lon.	80
Chartered	7 1/2
Mercantile, A. & B.	27
Mercantile, C.	13
East Asia	80

Canton	222 1/2
Unions	400
China Underwriter	1,300
H.K. Fire	180

SHIPPING

Douglas	70 b. and su.
Steamboats	12 b.
Indo-China	60
Indo-China	24
Shell, Beners	81 1/2
Waterboats	8,40

DOCKS

Wharves	99 b. and su.
Docks	15 1/2
Providents	4 b. and su.
New Eng. Sh.	6,70
Sha. Docks	101 1/2

MINING

Kailan	17 1/2
Raub	8 1/2
Yenz Goldfield	8
Yenz Goldfield	4
Antamoks	31 1/2
Antamoks	20 1/2
Baguio Gold	23 1/2
Baguio Gold	11 1/2
Coca Gold	12 1/2
Demonstrations	12 1/2
I.X.L.	23
Itozou	23
Camariens	45
San Maricelo	180
Suyoc Consols	15
Paracels	59

LANDS

Hotels	5,20
Lands	32 1/2
Lands 4% deb.	104
S'hai Lands	8,40
Humphreys	8,65
H.K. Realties	3,00
Chinese Estates	102

UTILITIES

Trams	15,90
Peak Trams (old)	8
Peak Trams (new)	4
Star Ferris	65
Y. Ferris	24
Y. Ferris (new)	24
China Lights (old)	7,00
China Lights (new)	5
H.K. Electric	53 1/2
Macao Electric	17
Sandakan Lights	12
Telephones (old)	22 1/2
Telephones (new)	7 1/2
Traction	22 1/2
Traction (Pref.)	22 1/2

INDUSTRIAL

Cald: Macg. (Ord.)	14
Cald: Macg. (Pref.)	13
Canton Iron	1
Cement	1
H.K. Ropes	3,00

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (ex. ris.)	20 1/2
Dairy Farms (ris.)	19 1/2
Watsons	73 1/2
Lane Crawford	8
Sincere	1,80
Wing On (H.K.)	42
Powell, Ltd.	1

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh.	10,80
S'hai Cotton	105
Zoong Shing	30
Wing On Text.	40

MISC.

H.K. Entertainment	6,40
Constructions	1 1/2
Vibro Piling	7
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	
G.S. Bonds	02 1/2
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 3 1/2% p.m.	
H.K. Govt. Loan 3 1/2% p.m.	
Marsmans (Lon.)	13 1/2
Marsmans (H.K.)	5 1/2

BRITAIN DECIDES 'NO DEEP SHELTERS'

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construct 16 miles of shelter tunnels in London, and this would only provide shelter for 160,000 persons. The report endorses the advice given to Sir John Anderson concerning the value of steel shelters, and a design for strengthening basements.

Commons Debate

In the House of Commons, Sir John Anderson, announcing his A.R.P. shelter policy, declared that deep or bomb-proof shelters for the whole civil population were impracticable.

No grounds had been shown for departing from the policy of blast and splinter proof protection as already announced, and the Government would make every effort to assure this policy being carried out as speedily as possible in the vulnerable areas.

An attempt to produce bomb-proof shelters on any general scale would prove impossible in practice, and would be a mistaken policy. There was a case for providing heavily protected shelters for certain key points in certain vital services. Technical advice would be afforded as speedily as possible to industrialists and others as to the forms such shelters should take.

Portable Shelters

Sir John Anderson mentioned that the distribution of portable steel shelters which began on February 20, had proceeded at a rate substantially in excess of the estimate. Shelters capable of sheltering 1,500,000 persons had already been distributed, and future distribution would proceed at an accelerated rate. Tests had been carried out respecting the strengthening of basements. As a result of these tests, the first orders for material were placed on April 4.

An organisation had been created to assist local authorities in carrying out a speedy survey of suitable basements.—Reuter.

REJECTION OF PEACE PLEA

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great act of mobilisation. Those beyond the frontiers must not be alarmed at the sound of this word. It is pacific mobilisation with no weapons involved. It is the mobilisation of 15,000 workers... if we were planning to light a fuse, if we were planning threats and aggressive designs, we would not be dedicating ourselves to a work of such gigantic proportions as that of the organisation of a world exhibition. If we had aggressive designs we would not have all nations taking part in the Fair. It is despite the dark clouds on the horizon, we dare to continue our work tenaciously. It should be interpreted as a sign that we do not want to attack anyone, and all we want is to be allowed to continue with our work.

"Highly Unjust"

Referring to President Roosevelt's message, Mussolini said: "It is highly unjust and, in a certain sense unjustifiable, to attempt to place the Axis nations on the bench of accused."

Il Duce started speaking at 11.30 a.m. and his speech was very calm but firm. "As far as the suggested conferences are concerned, in which the United States would limit itself to the customary role of the distant spectator, experience has given us bitter lessons."

The greater number of persons at a conference, the more certain is its failure. "Whether or not a reply is sent to that famous message, I could not fail to seize this occasion to reaffirm that the policy of the Axis is a policy inspired by peace and collaboration."

"Italy and Germany have many proofs of this. It is time to silence the disseminators of panic and the forecasters of catastrophe, and those who are professional fatalists. Such persons often cover their fears, their insane hatreds and their more or less unconfessable interests, with a large flag."

"At any rate we will not let ourselves be impressed by press campaigns, convivial gossip or Messianic-like messages." Il Duce concluded.—United Press.

A WAR OF WORDS

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But those "blessings" must be shouted from the housetops for all the world to hear. Only by doing so can the people of the Continent learn that we are not so effete and decrepit as they have been led to believe we are. Only by doing so can we counter the insidious propaganda which is producing "Hitlerbugs" in our midst.

Dealing with this very subject, a clever American recently said to me, "If democracy is ever to regain the virility it had only a generation ago, it must learn to sell itself to its own people, to dramatise itself, and to make itself tangible and visible to the ordinary citizen."

Here is the crux of the whole matter. Totalitarianism is oversold; democracy is undersold.

—Euan Hird.

Balloon Explodes, Hurts Thirty

London, Apr. 20. Thirty children were hurt, but none severely, when an experimental balloon, brought into Paignton harbour after it had been found at sea, suddenly burst into flames to-day.—Reuter Special.

THREE POWER MILITARY PACT

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The British Cabinet now have to consider how they effect the known attitude or the politico-geographical situation of the various smaller States. It can be assumed that a few days will elapse before the British observations can be returned to Moscow. Hints from Berlin that all chance of a peaceful utterance by Hitler this week will disappear if, in the meantime, Britain strengthens her ties with Moscow, do not deter the British Government from pressing on with the exchanges with Moscow, says the correspondent.—Reuter.

Negative Attitude By Poland

Warsaw, Apr. 20. It has been officially announced that Poland has informed Britain and Russia that Poland will not participate, even passively, in negotiations to draw Russia into the anti-aggression bloc.

It is said that Poland maintains a "negative attitude towards permission for Russia to march into or fly over Polish territory."

It is understood that the Polish army is being kept in a state of preparedness in areas near Danzig on account of the Hitler birthday celebrations.—United Press.

Danzig Normal

Danzig, Apr. 20. A police official flatly denies rumours of a Nazi plot to overthrow the Free City's government. He described the reports as "non-sense."

Everything is normal in Danzig, except surface excitement in connection with Hitler's birthday.

The police report that there have been no incidents throughout the night.—United Press.

DIPLOMATS ACTIVE IN EUROPE

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to the Aegean had been presented to Rumania and Greece "at appropriate moments"—Reuter.

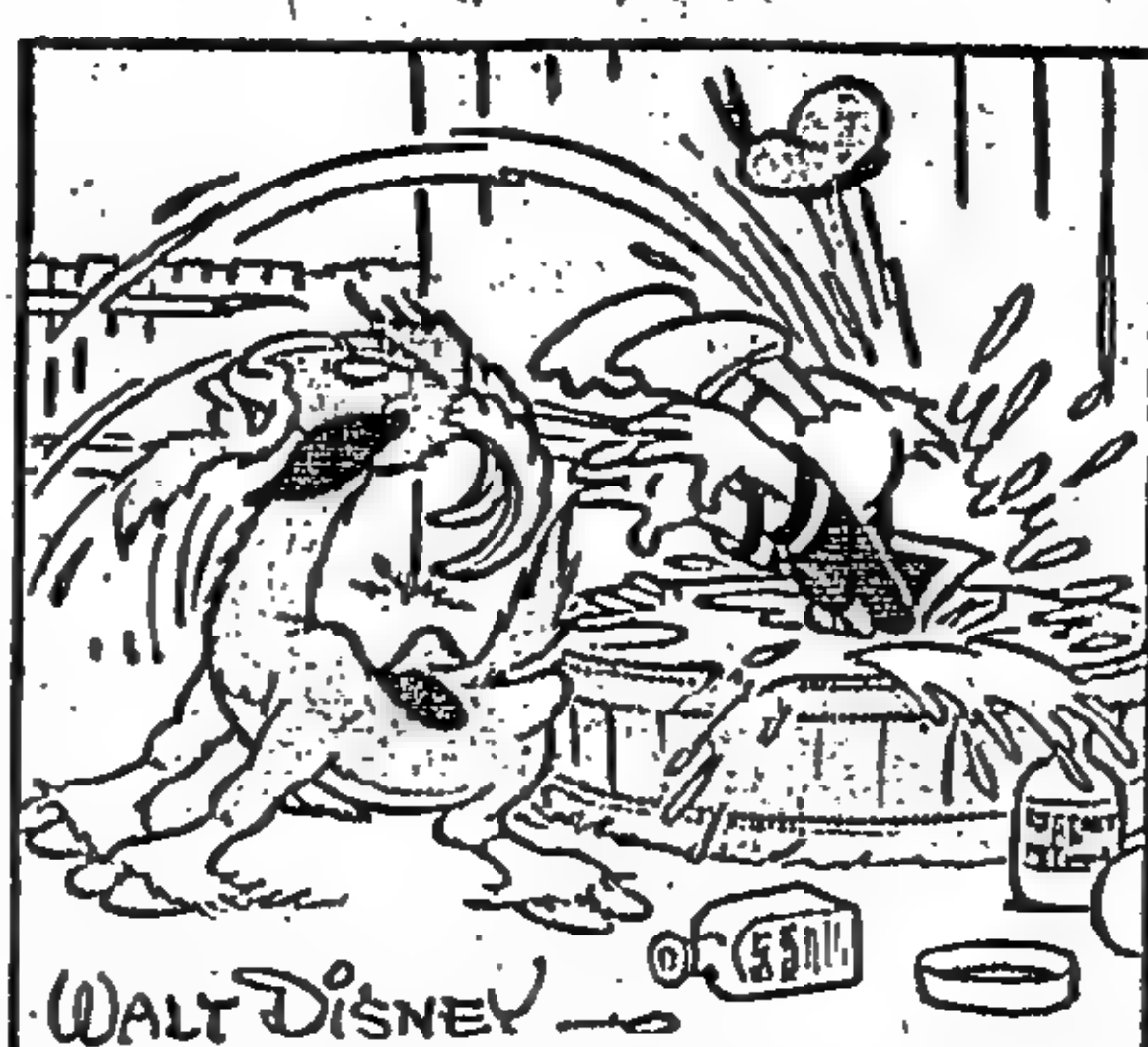
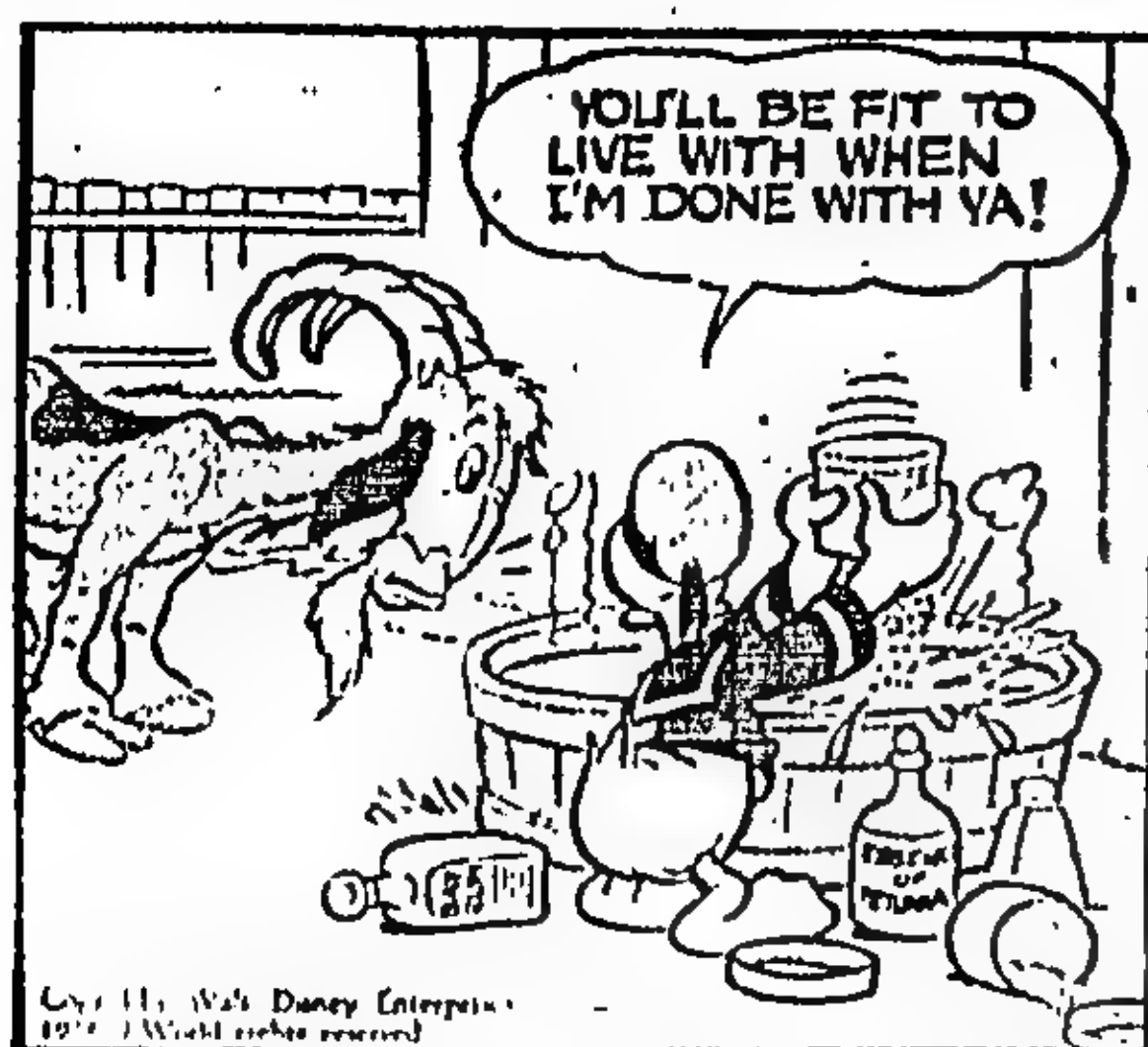
LONDON

M. Gafencu, the Rumanian Foreign Minister, will arrive in London on Sunday afternoon from Brussels, which he is visiting on his journey from Berlin.

M. Gafencu will have his first conversation with Viscount Halifax on Monday morning, and will see Mr. Chamberlain the same afternoon.

Conversations with the Foreign Office will be continued on Tuesday. The King and Queen will entertain the Rumanian guest at luncheon at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday, and

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China As Democracy's Partner In Far East

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20. CHINESE officials have welcomed the reports from London saying that China might be invited to join the anti-aggression front.

Well informed circles declare that this indicates that Britain and France have not yet completely centred their attention on Europe.

Typical comments to-day were: "It is well understood that peace is indivisible, and war in any area in the world must affect everywhere." "Peace, to be effective, must be world wide."

Some quarters declare that the situation is different in China where war is already raging.

Bring Japan To Knees

The reality of a combination of a British, French, United States and Russian policy of anti-aggression would bring Japan to her knees in from three to six months.

The policy, they assert, should include an economic embargo against Japan, refusing to sell her the needed war goods and refusing to buy Japanese products, as well as positive aid to Chinese resistance.

Meanwhile official circles assert that in order to be effective the anti-aggression front must include China, because Japan is included in the Axis.

They said Japan, Italy and Germany act in concert, and time their acts of aggression in accordance with the situation in other parts of the world.

Japanese Reports Denied

London, Apr. 20. The Japanese press reports that Britain has offered to mediate in the Sino-Japanese war have been officially denied here.—United Press.

Envoy Calls on Wang

Chungking, Apr. 20. Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, the British Ambassador to China, who arrived here from Kuming by plane yesterday, called on Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs, at the Foreign Office at ten o'clock this morning.

The British envoy's call lasted about fifteen minutes.—Central News.

U. S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

—New York, Apr. 20.

New York Cotton	Closing
May	8.23/22
July	7.83/83
Oct.	7.43/43
Dec.	7.34/34
Jan.	7.34/35
Mar.	7.40/40
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The First Notice Day for May Cotton is April 25th, and the last day is May 16th.

—New York Rubber

May	16.85/86	16.83/83
Sept.	15.95/95	15.80/80
Dec.	15.95/95	15.90/90
Mar.		15.94 N

The First Notice Day for May Rubber is April 27th, and the last day May 1st.

—To-day's Sales—2,400 tons.

—Chicago Wheat

May	69 1/2/69 1/2	69 1/2/69 1/2
July	69 1/2/69 1/2	69 1/2/69 1/2
Sept.	69 1/2/69 1/2	69 1/2/69 1/2

—Wednesday's Sales—6,091,000 bushels.

—Chicago Corn

May	40 1/2/40 1/2	40 1/2/40 1/2
July	50 1/2/50 1/2	50 1/2/50 1/2
Sept.	51 1/2/51 1/2	51 1/2/51 1/2

—Winnipeg Wheat

May	61 1/2/61 1/2	61 1/2/61 1/2
July	62 1/2/62 1/2	62 1/2/62 1/2
Oct.		63 1/2/63 1/2

Hungarians See Pope Pius

Vatican City, Apr. 20. Count Teleki, the Hungarian Premier, and Count Cserkai, the Foreign Minister, were received by Pope Pius XII to-day.

His Holiness recalled with special pleasure his visit to Budapest last year and expressed fervent wishes for the moral and material welfare of Hungary.—Trans-Ocean.

NEWS IS KNOWLEDGE

QUESTION: What discovery has been made in Hawaii which will throw new light on the character of a great King?

ANSWER: A Bible known to have been used and marked by King Kamehameha—the Fifth (1803-1872) of Hawaii has been discovered in a vault.

Q. In what way was the Bible marked?

A. The King read the Bible all through and wrote notes in the margin on his reactions to its teachings. These notes are now being studied by American authorities.

Q. What did King Kamehameha do for Hawaii?

A. He was high-minded and well educated and gave Hawaii a constitution that established the democratic regime begun by the four kings of the same name who preceded him.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

April 21, 1889. In the Italian Senate, M. Crispien confirmed the news of the death of King John of Abyssinia. He said that the Italian Government did not intend being seduced by a prospect of easy annexation in that quarter, but would carefully consider what course was best to pursue in view of the death of the Negus. Nothing, however, has yet been decided in the matter.

The Kinkiang brought over fifty first-class passengers from Macao yesterday morning—a record for an ordinary trip. Beyond the Easter religious ceremonies and the customary dreary procession of the Holy City to attract such large numbers of Europeans from Hongkong, St. Fantan was, of course, extensively patronised, and we hear that the play was exceptional. For once "the tiger" had a good deal of the worst of the game; several Hongkong operators being heavy winners.

25 YEARS AGO

April 21, 1914. There were 110 cases of plague notified during last week and 88 deaths. Two of the cases were Japanese and one was a Malay. The rest were Chinese.

Last evening Vanchai was the scene of considerable excitement among the Chinese populace when a procession was made through the streets with fish lanterns, flags and instruments for the purpose of frightening away the devils responsible for the prevalence of plague in the district.

An important deviation in the service of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's new liners, on the outward run from Vancouver, is about to be made whereby these vessels will make regular calls at Manila. The boats affected are the Empress of Asia and the Empress of Russia.

10 YEARS AGO

April 21, 1929. The new cruiser Konigsberg has been placed in commission, under the command of Captain von Rother. The occasion was one of great rejoicing and Captain von Rother made a stirring address to the crews of the new ship, recalling the deeds of her two predecessors during the war.

An acute stage has been reached at the Disarmament Conference in the discussion of whether the Soviet proposals should be discussed instead of the Preparatory Disarmament Committee's own draft Convention adopted in 1927.

Mr. Litvinov yesterday argued that security could be obtained by disarmament and asked for an unequivocal reply as to whether his draft was acceptable or not.

It is learned that the Soviet disarmament proposals provided for the complete abolition of tanks and heavy artillery, for the suppression of aircraft-carriers, for the gradual replacement of battleships by vessels not exceeding 10,000 tons within a period of 15 years, and for the limitation of tonnage and number of submarines.

5 YEARS AGO

April 21, 1934. Tom Barry, one of the most prominent Republican leaders in South Ireland, has been arrested on a charge of illegal possession of a machine-gun and 84 rounds of ammunition. He will be tried by military tribunal.

Barry led the I.R.A. in West Cork during the Anglo-Irish troubles and later took the Republican side against the Free State.

Speaking at the British Industries Fair at the White City, London, the Prince of Wales heartily supported the modern fashion of women's shorts and the lawn tennis coat. This is what he said: "I see no reason on earth why any woman should not wear shorts for lawn tennis. They are comfortable, and quite the most practical costume for the game, and I don't think that shorts lose anything in looks."

This remark was pronounced following directly upon a similar statement at the Fair by the Duchess of York.

JAPANESE INFLUX TO CANTON SETS RECORD

CANTON, Apr. 21. SETTING AN all-time high record, the Japanese population in Canton has passed the 4,000 mark, it was announced yesterday at the weekly press conference.

Up to the end of March, it was revealed, Japanese subjects in Canton, including Koreans and Formosans, but excluding the military, numbered 4,415. The 800 women included 300 Japanese girls, waitresses and entertainers.

The Japanese population in Canton, it was stated, never at any previous time, exceeded 400.

By far the greater number of Japanese in Canton are following the profession of clerks in banks and commercial concerns, namely 1,000, while at the other extreme, only one Japanese is engaged in farming.

Doctors And Nurses

Some 40 Japanese doctors and nurses are in the city, as well as 14 civil engineers and contractors, four teachers, seven monks, and 25 photographers.

Japanese businesses in Canton at present are said to include 50 import and export firms, 90 hotels and restaurants, 80 grocery and general merchandise stores, 18 barber shops, seven shipping firms, six trucking and forwarding concerns, and 21 masonry and carpentry establishments.—Reuter.

No Anschluss In S. W. Africa Union Anticipates German Troubles

WINDHOEK, Apr. 20. FOUR HUNDRED police from the South African Union, armed with a large number of Bren guns, and accompanied by four armoured cars, arrived here to-day in accordance with the scheme for amalgamating the South-West African police force with the Union force.

Meanwhile the Germans here celebrated Hitler's birthday by flying swastika flags from homes and business houses. The town otherwise presents a normal appearance, and all is quiet.—Reuter.

Won't Be Returned

Cape Town, Apr. 20. General Hertzog, the South African Premier, to-day, told Parliament that he was very strongly against the suggestion made by the Nationalist Party that the former German South-West Africa territory be returned to the Reich.

He added: "If the Nationalists are prepared to give back South-West Africa for the sake of peace, I maintain that the giving up of our citizens in South-West Africa in the same way as if they lived in the Union."—Trans-Ocean.

Entraining Orders Cancelled

Johannesburg, Apr. 20. A detachment of 200 members of the South African police force, which this evening for South-West Africa found at the last minute that the journey had been cancelled.

The reason given here for this change of plans is that conditions in South-West Africa are not such as to justify the despatch of police reinforcements.

It was originally intended to increase the police force in South-West Africa by 500 men.—Trans-Ocean.

"Will Protect Territory"

Cape Town, Apr. 20. "We would flee from South-West Africa just as soon as we would from the Union," declared General Hertzog, speaking at the second reading of the South-West Africa Police Bill in the House of Assembly to-day, adding: "We will protect the territory as we would protect our nationals."

Dr. Malan, Opposition leader, moved a rejection of the Bill on the ground, that amalgamation of the police forces of the Union and South-West Africa was "contrary to the Union's policy of giving more and more self-government to the territory."—Reuter Special.

Le Havre, Apr. 20.—The liner Champlain sailed for New York to-day carrying the art treasures and passengers from the liner Paris.—Reuter.

MYSTERY SUBMARINE Canadian Warships Ordered To Search

OTTAWA, Apr. 20. THE Defence Minister, Mr. Ian Mackenzie, has announced that four naval vessels have been assigned to search for a mysterious submarine which has been reported to be patrolling near Halifax.

The Deputy Minister has disclosed that the destroyers Skeena and Saguenay and the minesweepers Gaspe and Fundy are at present on patrol in the area. The air base at Dartmouth is also co-operating in the search.

The submarine is said to have been hovering in northern waters for more than a week.

Canadian navy officials admit that they possess information that a submarine was sighted "a stone's throw" from Camperdown, near the wireless station at the mouth of Halifax harbour.

Rumours that the United States coastguard Champlain was en route to take part in the search were dispelled when the vessel went to Imperial five miles outside of the harbour for fuelling purposes.—United Press.

ENTERED HARBOUR?

Ottawa, Apr. 20. Mr. Mackenzie, the Canadian Defence Minister, states that the utmost vigilance is being exercised to establish whether the submarine did, as reported by Captain Lettice, veteran Halifax pilot, enter Halifax harbour yesterday.

He said that as yet his department had no confirmation of the report.—Reuter.

Appeal To Incoming Ships

Dalagax, Nova Scotia, Apr. 20. The Commander of the naval dockyard has requested all inward bound vessels, which passed the Halifax pilot boat shortly after midnight on April 18 and 19, to communicate with the authorities in connection with the reported movements of the mysterious submarine.—Reuter Special.

New Ship May Replace Paris Fire On Liner Said Due To Sabotage

PARIS, Apr. 20. THE FRENCH Government, it is stated, reserves the right to decide whether to substitute the destroyed liner Paris by a new ship, adding that this would depend on the need and the prestige of the French mercantile marine for such a new unit.

Premier Daladier to-day received the Mercantile Marine Minister, M. de Chappedaigne, who made a detailed report on the Paris disaster. Results of police investigations so far seem to indicate that the fire was due to arson.

Explaining the statement that the Government will decide whether to replace the Paris, it is pointed out that the Government owns more than 75 per cent. of the Atlantic Company shares, and moreover, pays to the company an annual subsidy of 80,000,000 francs.—Trans-Ocean.

Normandie Bomb

New York, Apr. 20. Officials of the French Line deny that a bomb was found aboard the s.s. Normandie.—United Press.

Arson Charge

LE HAVRE, Apr. 21.—Formal charges of arson have been made against "persons unknown" in connection with the destruction of the s.s. Paris.

Investigations are being instituted throughout France in connection with a possible plot on the part of a foreign sabotage organisation.—United Press.

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12.30 Derek Oldham (Tenor) and the Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra. You Will Remember Vienna (Hammerstein and Romberg).

Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orch.; Under The Lilac Bough (Lilac Time—Rosa Clutsum).... Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orch. and Male Chorus; Ball At The Savoy—Selection (Abraham).... Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice; Waltz Song (A Waltz Dream—Herbert O. Strauss); Love, I Give You My All (Luana—Besly).... Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orch.; "Glamorous Night"—Selection (Novello).... Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice.

1.0 Time and Weather.

1.03 Oscar Frank—Sonata In A Major.

Alfred Cortot (Piano) and Jacques Thibaud (Violin).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Dance Music.

Blues—Barbary Coast Blues; Ramblin' Antigua.... Joe Daniels and His Hot Shots in "Criminastick"; Fox-Trots—You Couldn't Be Cuter (film 'Joy of Living'); Just Let Me Look At You (film 'Joy of Living').... Bert Block and His Bell Music; Tangos—Relatin; Lorenzo.... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro; Fox-Trots—Moonlight in Walkie; It's The Little Things That Count.... Jan Carter and His Orchestra.

Trot—I'm Reading Your Letters; I'm Sorry I Didn't Say 'I'm Sorry'.... The Organ, The Dance Band and Me (Piano).

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

High Society; (b) There'll come a time; (c) Waters of Minnetonka; (4) A Song of Old Hawaii.

6.14 Record: Sweet Sue, Just You (Harris and Young); Poor Butterfly (Golden and Hubbell).... The Dixie Devils with Vocal Chorus.

6.21 (a) Ride Tenderfoot Ride; (b) There's a Brand New Feeling; (c) While a Cigarette was burning; (4) Mayfair Merry-go-round.

6.35 Records: Let's Put Some People To Work (Goodhart, Hoffman); I'm Still Dreaming (from 'When Knights were bold').... Jack Buchanan (Vocal) with Orchestra; Jan Klepura Film Melodies.... Fred Stein at the Piano.

6.44 (a) Tell me with your Kisses; (b) It's a Lonely Trail; (c) Feelin' no Pain; (4) Mabuhay.

7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Kalmor Pal (Vocal) with Magyari Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.

Salt Yellow Rose; I Love You Beautiful Lady (Sander); Passing The Church; Lilac Flowers Mourn For Me (Zoltan).... Magyari Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra; Tik Tak Tik Tak Ut Az Ora—Dai (Frighyes); Leanyok; Legenyek—Csardas (Gyula); Kék A Buzavirag—Csardas (Kandz).... Kalmor Pal n. comp. by Magyari Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra; My Sweetie is Roaming About; How I Could Lament You Can't Forbid A Flower; The Sleeves of My Jacket Are Tied Up.... Magyari Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.

7.22 Songs by Glita Alpar (Soprano).

No More (from C. B. Cochran's Revue 'Home and Beauty'); Sing Something In The Morning (from C. B. Cochran's Revue 'Home and Beauty').... with Orchestra cond. by G. Walter.

7.30 Next week's programme.

7.35 Antea and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra, with Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal and Piano).

"The Gold Diggers of 1937"—Selection (Arden, Young and others); "A Day At The Races"—Selection.

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.05 Albert Sandler Trio. Rustle Of Spring (Sliding-Op. 32, No. 3); Dusty Violin (Vernon Brooks); Shy Serenade (Scott Wood); Victor Herbert Melodies.

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8.45 Studio—"Spelling Bee"—4: English Schools v. Scottish Schools.

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Short talks on matters of topical interest.

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A programme from the Midlands arranged and produced by Robin Whitworth.

10.20 A programme of English Music.

Chaconne (Purcell, 1658-1695).... American Society of Ancient Instruments directed by Ben Sadler; Air—Kornpille (Purcell); 2. Edith Penville (Flute) with Ronald Revell at the Piano; My Lovely Celia (Monroe).... Nan Maryska (Soprano) with Piano accom. by Ivor Newton; Nocturne In A Flat Major, No. 3 (John Field 1782-1837).... Frank Merrick (Piano); Four Jolly Sailors—Monon (from A Princess of Kensington).... Francis Russell, Harry Jones, Raymond Newell and Harry Dearth (Quartette) with Piano; Three English Dances, (Quilter).... New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by J. Anslo; Murray; Fill A Glass With A Brand New Feeling; Hubert Elscall (Tenor) with Piano; "Well Gwyn Dances" (Edward German); 1. Country Dance; 2. Pastoral Dance; 3. Merry-makers Dance.... Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

11.0 Close down.

(Kahn and Others).... Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Bollington at the Organ; Two Tired Eyes (film 'Cock O' The North').... Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano with Orchestral Accompaniment; Medley Of Paso-Dobles; Junita; A girl like you.... Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Bollington at the Organ; These Foolish Things (Marvell-Strachey); Lights Out (Billy Hill).... Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano; "Girl of the Golden West"—Selection.... Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Bollington at the Organ.

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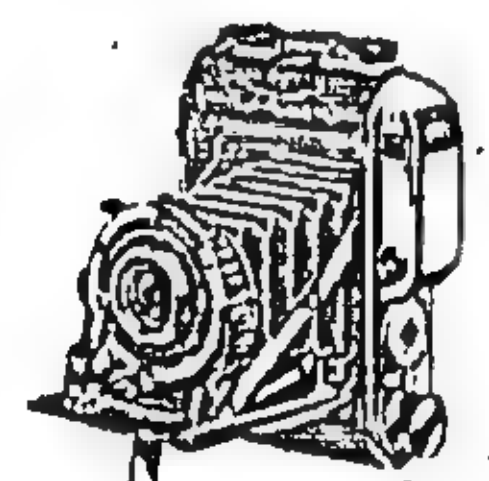
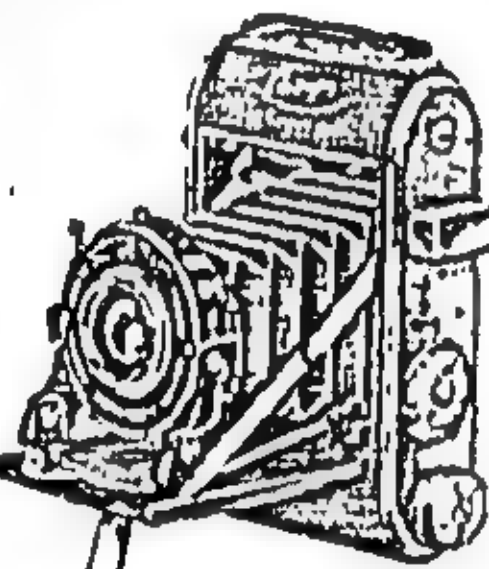
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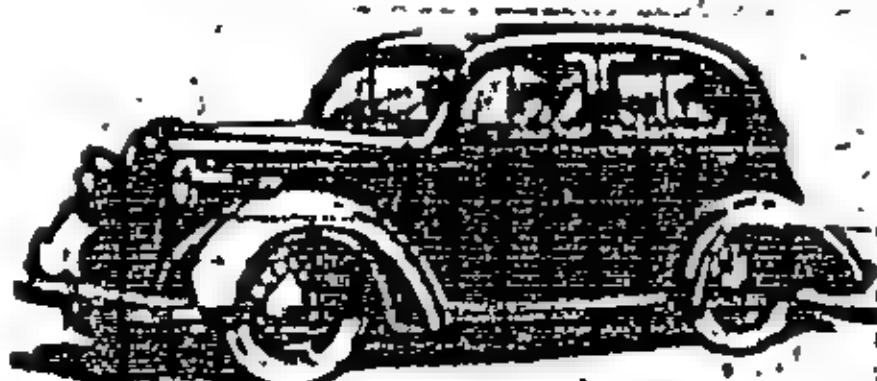
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Foreign papers, please copy.

Spain

THE report goes that Mussolini will withdraw his troops from Spain on May 15, after three post-ponements. We do not know yet whether there is to be another post-ponement.

But in any case, Mussolini does not hold "all the cards" in Spain. There are several other factors in the situation to be considered.

In France there are Spanish Republican soldiers all dressed up and with nowhere to go. It is true that they have no arms, no ammunition, no airplanes, no tanks, no big guns. But neither did Franco when he started that civil war, and the merchants of death can always provide them.

Again, Italy is a long way from Spain. Her line of communication runs past 250 British and French warships that have not been massed for nothing.

And Germany is a long, long way from Spain, too. Just as far from Spain as France was from Czechoslovakia last month.

Pact

"WE ARE resolved that the method of consultation shall be the method adopted to deal with any . . . questions that may concern our two countries, and we are determined to continue our efforts to remove possible sources of differences and thus to contribute to assure the peace of Europe."

That is a little pledge made by Signor Mussolini and Mr. Neville Chamberlain last October. Both countries claim that they adhere to that agreement.

It may prove the reason why there will be no war in Europe.

JERUSALEM, Apr. 20.—A Jewish supernumerary policeman was killed, and five injured when a lorry, in which they were travelling, struck a land mine near a town west of Jerusalem to-day.—*Reuter.*

What the women of are saying..

by
MARY FERGUSON



"I know, because I have been listening to them."

THEY can't scare women with any of their talk about what might happen in the future.

How do I know? It's simple. I have been listening to what women are saying.

First let us listen-in to women in the North.

They are humble women. Some of them are trying to make a good life for their families on small weekly incomes.

But they are proud and brave women, too, and they get a good laugh when they read about the jitterbugs. For their part they have never met one. Quite innocently they imagine that all the jitterbugs live in London.

That isn't fair, of course, but can you blame them when they don't know Londoners personally?

AFTER seven years in London with only a few flying visits to Scotland and the North of England I went up to Lancashire and Yorkshire recently.

Mrs. Amy Brown, who runs a small hat shop in a Lancashire town, was full of a grand philosophy about life.

"I think all the frightening talk that is going on at present is a terrible thing," she said, as she marked down a new season's hat from 8s. 11d. to 6s. 11d.

"I may as well get rid of it even at a cut price," she explained, "as keep it till it's out of fashion. Hats aren't selling as well these days. Folks seem to be spending their spare cash on tins of condensed milk and tins of soup and sardines 'just in case.'"

Mrs. Brown laughed cheerfully. "Well, I suppose that's a good thing. It means more food in the country stored in private larders instead of being concentrated in huge central depots, but it makes business a bit top-sliced if you know what I mean."

Mrs. Brown snapped shut her till. She had taken exactly twelve and tenpence for the day's trading, which amounted to three hats sold.

"What I say," she said with

vigour, "is that if folks would only start thinking about cheerful things and talking brightly about the future it would be a lot better for us all."

IN Scotland it takes a big national event to switch a woman's thoughts off spring cleaning at this time of year.

My mother, who lives in Glasgow, writes the local gossip in her weekly letters to me. . . .

"We were just saying the other day that when the spring comes everybody will feel much brighter. Down our street most of the neighbours have begun spring cleaning and Mrs. McGowan was asking me if I was arranging my spare room as a dormitory for children in case there was another crisis."

"She wanted me to buy single beds for the children, for she said that is what she is doing. Do you think I should? I don't think we should be so sure there is going to be another crisis. Maybe the dictators and people who cause all the trouble will feel a bit more cheerful when the brighter weather comes."

"They are saying here that they wish it were possible to have an exhibition like the Bellahouston Park exhibition every year. It was nice hearing all the foreigners talking in their own languages."

"I don't know anybody who is feeling really sorry about things, but they are sorry that nothing is being done for the unemployed."

"We get nice young men round the door every day trying to sell buttons and booklets. I think it is a shame so little is being done for them."

"Do you think Mr. Chamberlain is a good man? Sometimes I think he is and then other times I feel that I distrust him."

MRS. A. and Mrs. B. are total strangers to me. They live in Buckinghamshire, and play golf on good downs and bridge on dull days.

We travelled up to town in the same carriage the other day, and they were saying that the new fashions are too funny for words, because what woman in her senses wants to walk about looking as

though her petticoat was hanging down.

They were quite worried about it. Fashions and the servant problem seemed to have them ticked.

Mrs. A. looked about 55. She was stout and cheerful. "My husband was telling me that somebody wants men to give their wives wages, and he says if that becomes law he will give me two pounds a week."

"I must find out who these women are and write to them. It's a ridiculous idea. I didn't get married to get a job, and anyway, it would be awful if we had to take set wages every week."

Mrs. B. laughed, and tucked her fur closer round her neck.

"I think wages for wives are necessary," she had told Mr. B., "because some men don't give their wives any definite amount each week, and that makes life unendurable for the women who don't know where the money is coming from to pay the food bills, the rent and the light."

"My daughter was telling me all about it the other day. Dr. Edith Summerskill, you know the woman doctor who is a Labour M.P., was telling her that some men earning small wages keep most of the money to themselves, and their wives live in a state of constant

To-day's Thought
THE best counsel is that of women.
—CALDERON.

fear that they won't get any money at all some weeks.

"It's all right for women like us to say we don't want wages."

GOING back to the Lancashire women and absorption in the future and chances of work for their children.

A friend of Grace Fields in Rochdale was saying, "We've got to think about the future of the young folks. I wish something could be done to get them into jobs with some future in them."

"You know they are losing heart up here, for the youngsters are saying they want to go away to the Southern towns where the new factories are opening up."

"It would be a good thing if the Government would start some of their new factories up here and give the young ones a chance to get work near their own homes."

ONE of my neighbours was saying that for some reason or other she couldn't be bothered to read romances any more.

"I wish some novelist would write a novel about the life we are living to-day in houses in small country towns and in the suburbs," she said. "So far as I can see nobody is bothering to make a story about us. I want to read about a woman like myself who is alone all day, doing the housework, planning how to make a few pounds cover a lot of expenses."

Romantic love stuff seems so silly just now when we are all planning a new type of future for ourselves and our children."

Normally my neighbour is not a serious woman. She is the bustling busy type of housewife. To-day she talks seriously, although quite cheerfully, about the fact that a steady change is coming over the lives of the people in this country. "We shall have some tremendous decisions to make quite soon," she said to me, "and I do hope we are wise and make good decisions."

When asked what kind of decisions she replied, "Oh, you know what I mean. We must stop being selfish and thinking only in terms of our own families. We must think in terms of nations."

LIVING in Tiber-street, Islington, N., Mrs. Tren die, is saying to her children: "That's a nice cool shelter, isn't it? Just think what fun you can have in it in the summer time if we make it a summer-house, and put some flowers in it. We can make it comfortable with some chairs and maybe a table."

AND now, what am I saying?

I said to the B.B.C. that I would like to give a talk about the way in which Lancashire folks are facing up to the bad times they are having.

I said I could give a bright, hopeful talk, showing that although the people up there are living in tragic times so far as the staple industry, cotton, is concerned, yet they are remaining proud, industrious and wonderfully brave. The B.B.C. thought such a talk wouldn't be cheerful enough. You see they don't know what women are saying.

A WAR OF WORDS

This Creeping Barrage Of Propaganda

Samuel Hoare remarked, there are many people in Europe to-day who are listening to all the hot music of the scales and alarms, and who wait for the crash which they believe is to destroy us all. They have fallen under the creeping barrage of propaganda sent out day by day, week by week, month by month, from the totalitarian nations.

It Hits Both Ways
Take the problem which to-day torments the nights and days of millions of British men and women—the problem of aerial invasion.

Doubtless it may be right for responsible statesmen to warn us that we are no longer an island nation, that our frontiers are on the Rhine, that the aeroplane has modified the security we once found in a strong Navy.

The menace from the air is a very real menace. He would be a fool who, despite it, But what we are apt apt to overlook is that it is a universal menace. It is not directed against France, and Britain. The threat to Berlin is every whit as great as it is to Paris or London.

The peoples of the democracies are continually being told of the tremendous preparations for war in the totalitarian countries. They are also told that their own arrangements to counter these preparations are far from perfect, that there is tremendous leeway to make up.

That does not happen in Germany or in Italy. If there is a deficiency anywhere, the people of the dictator countries are kept in blissful

ignorance of it. They are told only the good things—and told ad nauseam.

The speeches of Hitler and Mussolini are peacocks of praise for what they have done. They are the boasts of what they are going to do. They are denunciations of the democracies. So with every newspaper article, every official broadcast, every speech, every official from Goebbels or Gayda down to the Mayor of the most remote town.

They glorify their own country and their own regime. They pour scorn and ridicule on France, Great Britain, and the United States, cleverly selecting upon every little fault or weakness and magnifying it before the eyes of their people.

If Hitler builds a motor highway across Germany, not only all Germany knows it but also the whole world. But if the German railways have to curtail their services because of the poor condition of their rolling stock and the lack of replacements not one person in a thousand is made aware of the fact.

Such information is certainly no part of the panegyrics emanating from the Nazi propagandist machine. What is more, it is not broadcast by the democracies. Yet the dissemination of such information would counter much of the German propaganda, as would the facts about the security of capital and of raw material in the Reich.

Counting Our Blessings

The Prime Minister has said that it was a good thing sometimes to "count your blessings." Anyone who did so in this country, he added, whether employer, worker, man, or woman, would find that there was very much to be grateful for in the conditions here as compared with the conditions in most other countries.

Never were truer words spoken.
PLEASE Turn to Page 4.

Il Duce Gives A Reply To Roosevelt

Rome, Apr. 20.

"The attempt to suggest that the axis wants war is absolutely unjustified. We want to get on with our work," declared Signor Mussolini in his broadcast on the 1942 Rome Exhibition.

"To-day marks the beginning of the great mobilisation—I hope those hysterical people over the frontier will not get frightened—it is civil mobilisation of workmen. By accepting the invitation to the exhibition, many nations have shown that they had the same ideas as the Italians about peace.

"A horrible geographical pyramid has been constituted by people without a rudimentary knowledge of European affairs. The policy of the axis is peace and collaboration."

Signor Mussolini said that the greater the number of people at the conference, the less likely was it to succeed. The remark was greeted with loud applause, but, added Il Duce, they had men and means to defend themselves.

Il Duce repeated the slogan "peace with justice" amid loud cheers, and concluded by announcing that the new buildings of the 1942 Exhibition would have the proportions of St. Peter's coliseum.

Signor Mussolini was speaking at the City Hall to members of the Organising Committee of the Exhibition.—Reuter.

REFERENCE TO MESSAGE

Rome, Apr. 20. A direct reference to President Roosevelt's message to the dictators was made by Signor Mussolini in his address.

Signor Mussolini said the fact that they were getting on with the exhibition should be considered as a promising sign that they did not intend to attack anyone and wished instead to get on with their work. The attempt therefore to place in the dock the countries of the axis is unjustifiable, and no less absurd is the building up of a 10 years' reciprocal guarantee.

"As regards a gigantic conference in which the United States would essentially limit themselves to their usual role of a distant spectator, experience has given us a bitter lesson that the greater the number of participants the more certain is failure," said Il Duce.

Whether or not they sent a reply, Signor Mussolini said that he could not miss the opportunity to reaffirm that the policy of Rome and Berlin was inspired by principles of peace and collaboration.—Reuter Special.

PROFESSIONAL FATALISTS

Rome, Apr. 20. Mussolini started speaking at 11.30 a.m. His speech was very calm, but firm.

Mussolini said, "I re-affirm that the policy of the Axis is a policy inspired by peace and collaboration. Italy and Germany have given many proofs of this. It is time to silence disseminators of panic and forecasters of catastrophe and these professional fatalists."

"Such persons often cover their fears, their insane hatred and their more or less unconfessable interests with a large flag."

"At any rate we will not let ourselves be impressed by press campaigns, convivial gossip or by Messianic messages,"—United Press.

LONDON REACTION

London, Apr. 20. The British Government, which is still anxious for reconciliation with Italy, will carefully study Signor Mussolini's speech in the hope of discovering an encouraging sign.

The first reaction here was that the speech, while displaying acute irritation at President Roosevelt's message and the British guarantees to other Powers, did not contain anything to aggravate the European situation. Mussolini's statement that Italy wants peace is naturally welcomed, but the declaration that the axis policy is a peace policy contrasted with Italy's martial activities in Ethiopia and Spain and the German leaders' exaltation of force.

Despite the thrust at the "Messianic message," it felt that Il Duce has not yet decided how to answer President Roosevelt.

"The absurd guarantees" are considered to be a thrust at the British Government, Poland, Greece and Rumania. Nevertheless the British Government is not yet convinced that it is impossible to draw Italy from Germany and therefore will undoubtedly continue direct efforts to improve Anglo-Italian relations.—United Press.

M. BONNET PRAISES ROOSEVELT SPEECH

Paris, Apr. 20. M. Bonnet, French Minister for Foreign Affairs, in a speech at the American Club, said, "Co-operation for peace and human well-being is found in President Roosevelt's admirable message on a new basis and in a new expression."

"Last September Europe felt as a comfort the attentive presence of President Roosevelt and the American people. The voice of your President has been heard anew because Europe is in a state of tension, of which everyone feels the gravity. Millions of men have been mobilised, warping the air and the sea, the anguish of peoples is increasing in a world where he saw redoubtable confusion."

"Your President rendered a real, active service in applying to this

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

New Council In Shanghai

Shanghai, Apr. 20. The Municipal Council announced that Mr. Cornell Franklin, American, has been elected Chairman of the Municipal Council, while Mr. W. J. Keewick, British, has been elected as Vice-Chairman, succeeding Brigadier General E. B. MacNaughten who has retired. It is also announced that the Chinese Ratepayers' Association re-elected Messrs. Yu Ya-ching, L. T. Yuan, Eugene Y. B. Kiang, W. Gockson and Yu Lin-jai as the Chinese members of the Municipal Council, while K. S. Liang, Chen Cho-chen, F. S. Han, S. Francis Liu, K. C. Hau and W. J. Lee have been elected to serve on the Municipal Council Committee.—United Press.

Burma

REPORT ON RECENT UNREST

Causes Are Varied

Rangoon, Apr. 20. Re-examination of the Indian situation is suggested in the report of the committee of investigation into the riots in Burma last year.

The report states that the cause of the riots was due in some respects to the Burmese press, which attacks unjustifiably the Indian communities in Burma. Neglect of duty by the elected members of the Burmese Assembly is also criticised by the report.—Reuter Bulletin.

Increased mischief making by younger Buddhist priests is exposed in the final report on the Burma Riot Inquiry Committee as a conspicuous cause of the "disturbed political condition of Burma after two years of self-government."

The Committee strongly emphasises the consequent degeneration of the Sangha, that is the Buddhist Church, from the former high spiritual and educational influence for good.

Other causes of unrest named in the report are: the Burmese press, which actively encouraged disorders by a course of dangerous and intemperate prejudice against Indian trading communities in Burma; the elected representatives of the Legislative Assembly, which in far too many instances sided with lawlessness and disorder; Thakin associations, "a poisonous anti-social creed of domestic and industrial unrest and individual indiscipline" assiduously spread among the people.

The Committee urges that the whole Indian question must be carefully reviewed with a view to ascertaining how far the Indo-Burmese racial interests are actually in conflict, and assuring to the Indians their status as British subjects to be upheld, and that for the Burmese their economic growth should not be stifled.

Reasonable restriction of undesirable immigrants and full safeguarding of Burmese peasants' rights and welfare is also recommended.

The Committee specially dwells on the vital necessity of defining once and for all the relations of the Sangha and the State to allow no doubt that the monks are as much subject to the rule of law as any of His Majesty's subjects.

The Sangha is urged to restore internal discipline and enforce the rule of its own religious doctrine against monks who have turned into political agitators.—Reuter.

Guarantee For Danzig

Paris, Apr. 20. The position of Great Britain and France in the event of German aggression against Danzig was made quite clear to-day by the French Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, during a debate on Foreign Affairs.

If Poland resists a German attack on Danzig, France will be immediately obliged to assist Poland. The Anglo-French guarantee to Poland, Rumania and Greece cover not only the political independence of these nations, but also their territorial integrity.

M. Bonnet, who was supported by the Minister for Defence, added that France was prepared for any emergency, both in the Mediterranean and in Africa.—United Press.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

astentacular
mendacious
pythaden
syrchene
ridicence
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

Berlin En Fete For Hitler's Birthday

Berlin, Apr. 20.

World affairs were shelved in Berlin to-day and the city was astral at dawn as early morning marching troops heralded the opening of the birthday festivities in honour of the German Chancellor. The newspapers appeared in special editions accompanied by illustrated supplements devoted to the Fuehrer and his work, emphasis being placed on his successes which began with the return of the Saar to Germany and recently saw the addition of Mecklenburg.

"The Reich is now solidly established," wrote General Goering in a special article written for the official National Socialist organ Voelkischer Beobachter, in which he stressed the Fuehrer's "incomparable will and his resolute determination to elevate Germany from the depths of despair and disgrace to a position of eminence."

"The German defence forces to-day protect Germany's vital territory in air, water and on land," he stated, "and this is all the work of a man to whom we owe our existence and our future. It is so true that we could almost believe it has been a miracle. No German has ever achieved as much. The Fuehrer is the greatest German of all times. Words are inadequate for expressing the feeling of love, honour, admiration and gratitude shared by all of us who stand under his leadership. Let politicians and statesmen of the non-comprehending world forge plans and barriers, let journalists spit poison and goad at us, we ignore them because for us the Fuehrer is the word of the future. Providence sent us, the Fuehrer in time of need and our prayer to-day is, 'Protect the Fuehrer, bless his work.'"—Trans-Ocean.

HONOURS CONFERRED

Berlin, Apr. 20. Birthday honours were conferred on numerous German diplomats, Government, military and Party officials, as well as upon prominent artists, scientists and actors.

The former German Consul-General in Shanghai, Herr Kriebel, has been made Ministerial Director. Herr von Randow, Vice-Consul at Shanghai, has been promoted to Consul-General, and the Consul in Chungking, Herr Scheffler, has been given the rank of Consul, first class. The Chief of Protocol in the German Foreign Office, Freiherr von Doernberg, and the former Consul-General in San Francisco, Herr von Killinger, have been awarded the title of Minister.

The title of Professor was conferred on the well-known German film director, Karl Ritter, and the highest rank in the German theatrical world, "State actor," has been granted to the prominent actors Karl Ludwig Diehl, Johannes Riemann and Heinz Ruchmann. The title of "State actor" was conferred on Frau Wessely and Angela Salloker.—Trans-Ocean.

UNPLEASANT WEATHER

Berlin, Apr. 20. Chancellor Hitler rose at 6 a.m. as millions of Germans throughout the Reich and annexed territories prepared to celebrate his 50th birthday with the pomp and glory befitting an Emperor.

Equipped with woollen blankets, parcels and food, hundreds of thousands of people have been flocking since midnight to vantage points along the route of the great military parade this morning.

When the celebrations began, the fine weather which experts promised would reach Germany from Britain had not materialised, the day being cold and the sky overcast.

The proceedings began with a serenade by the "Adolf Hitler" Black Guard Band in the garden of the old Chancellery. At 9 a.m. Hitler took the salute at the new Chancellery at the march past of Black Guard formations. Half an hour later the Diplomatic Corps expressed congratulations to the Fuehrer. They were followed by the leaders of the German Reich, including the Czech Premier, Dr. Benes, and the Slovak Premier, Dr. Tiso, and representatives of the armed forces headed by Field Marshal Goering.

Official guests representing at least 22 countries were present at the birthday celebrations. Britain and

France are not sending official delegations, but two Britons, Major General Fuller and Lord Brocket, were private guests of the Fuehrer.—Reuter.

THE MARCH PAST

Berlin, Apr. 20. The largest parade of the new German Army displaying new categories of troops, the heaviest anti-aircraft guns never shown before and the heaviest artillery, lasted three hours and 40 minutes.

The parade demonstrated the high degree of perfection of modern equipment of infantry so that the German infantry regiment of to-day neither in the eyes of the spectator nor in its fighting strength can be compared to the infantry which marched into war in 1914.

Sharply at 11.20 the entire division of the air force roared over the spectators.

The march past of 40,000 started at 11.25, the infantry regiment, marine regiment and air force regiment passing before Adolf Hitler and his 110 guests from Europe and overseas. There for the first time was seen a detachment of the parachute regiment No. 1, in green uniforms with parachute belts around the body. Most impressive, since proving the motorization and modernization of the new German Army, was the picture of motorised detachments of the air force and army passing at high speed. The heavy vehicles of the air force in rows of four rolled past almost soundlessly.

A large part of the infantry did not march in foot but drove in automobiles. The infantry was armed not only with rifles and light and heavy machine guns but also with light and heavy grenade throwers, anti-tank guns, light and heavy infantry guns, the latter bling shown for the first time.

The cavalry likewise afforded a new picture, being represented at the parade not only by mounted but also by motorized squadrons. Engineers, railway engineers and strong units of artillery followed. The artillery displayed all calibres up to the heaviest. The march past of the first armoured brigade, with assault cars of various calibres and equipment followed.

The parade is believed to be regarded as a demonstration of Germany's military power before the representatives of all nations. It concluded by an impressive marching off of the flag battalion carrying the colours of all German regiments. The review was terminated at 3 p.m.—Trans-Ocean.

KING'S CONGRATULATIONS

Berlin, Apr. 20. King George has sent a message of congratulation to Herr Hitler on the latter's birthday.

Troops to the number of 55,000 took part in the march past Hitler this morning in the biggest military parade seen in the city. The British Charge d'Affaires occupying a seat in the grandstand was a witness of the parade. Squadrons of planes were flying overhead, while the streets were crowded with thousands of people.

Danzig has honoured Hitler by electing him as honorary citizen.—Reuter Bulletin.

TOKYO CELEBRATION

Tokyo, Apr. 20. The German Ambassador, Herr Eugen Ott, was host at a luncheon given at the German Embassy to-day in celebration of the fiftieth birthday of Adolf Hitler.

Among the guests present were Prince Fumimaro Konoye, President of the Privy Council, Mr. Hachiro Arida, the Foreign Minister, Viscount Kimoto, former Japanese Ambassador to Berlin, and high officials of the Japanese Army and Navy.—Domei.

JAPANESE CONGRATULATIONS

Tokyo, Apr. 20. His Majesty, the Emperor to-day cabled birthday felicitations to Hitler.—Domei.

DISCUSSION ON LEAGUE

Mr. S. V. Boxer, President of the Hongkong branch of the League of Nations Society, will lead the European Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group on Sunday evening, his topic being the League of Nations. The discussion will be open to the public and all interested on the subject are welcome.

Australia

New Premier In Angry Scene

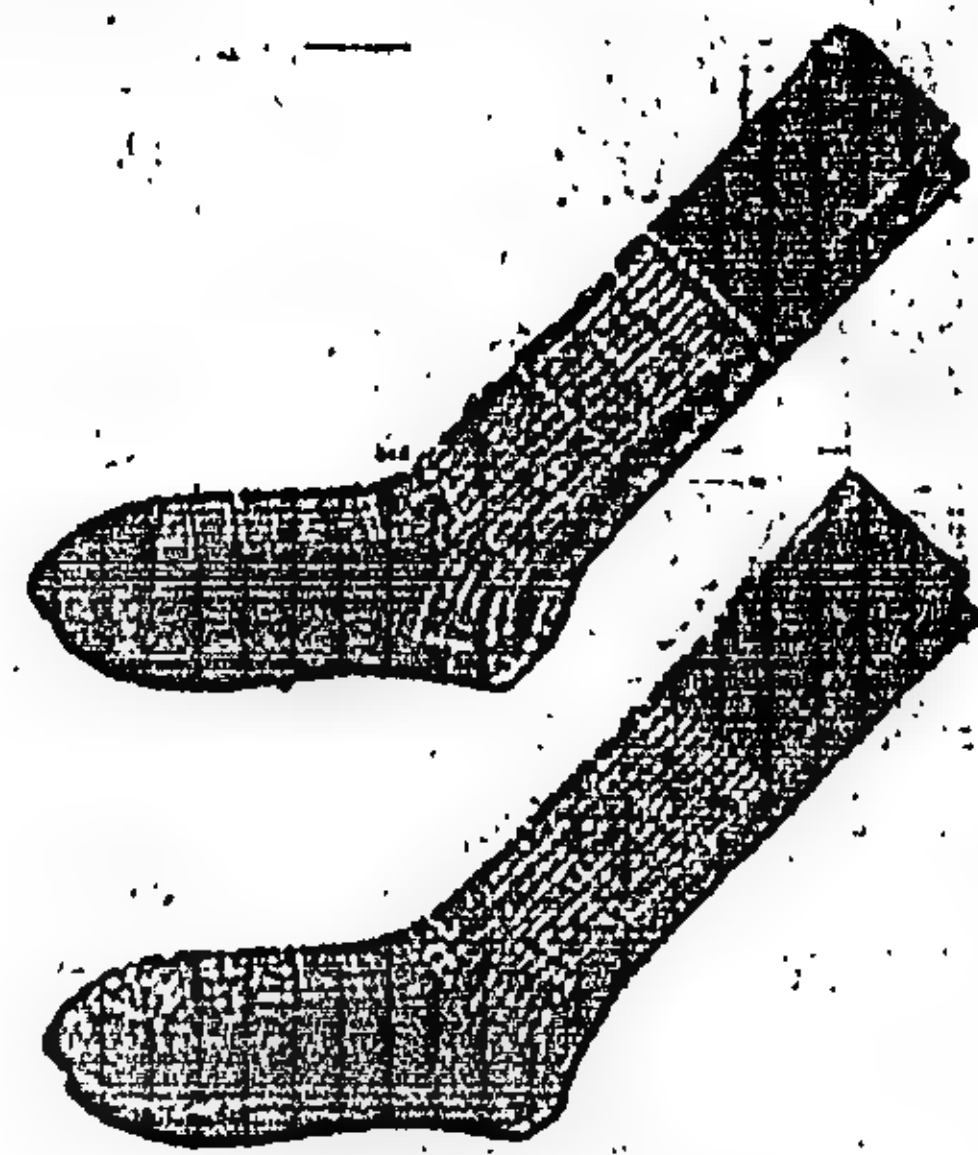
Canberra, Apr. 20. Lord Gowrie, Governor-General of Australia, has commissioned Mr. R. G. Menzies, leader of the United Australian Party, to form a Government.

Sir Earl Page, leader of the Country Party and acting Premier has handed in his resignation, but agreed to carry on for the time being at the request of the Governor-General.—Reuter Bulletin.

Squabble In House

Canberra, Apr. 20. Angry scenes in the House of Representatives to-day emphasised the deep split between the United Australian and Country Parties. Sir Earl Page bitterly attacked Mr. R. G. Menzies because he resigned from the Lyons Government—a coalition of the two Parties—when Australia was spending "untold millions" preparing for war. He

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Russia

Important Moscow Meeting

London, Apr. 20. Reports of dramatic new moves by the Soviet are given currency in this morning's newspapers.

The Daily Mail Paris correspondent reports that Russia, in return for her co-operation against aggression in eastern Europe, is asking for Anglo-French support if the Soviet is attacked by Japan.

The News Chronicle states that M. Stalin has sent for the Soviet Ambassadors in Paris and Berlin and the Ministers in Stockholm, as well as for M. Molotov, the Ambassador to London.

All four are reportedly due to arrive in Moscow to-day for a conference in which Russia's attitude to the proposed pact with the western Powers will be discussed.

When the Russian envoys in Paris and Berlin arrived at Warsaw, en route to Moscow, they met the Soviet Charge d'Affaires in the Polish capital. He is reported to have informed them of Poland's attitude regarding co-operation with the Soviet.

The Warsaw Correspondent of the Times reports that M. Litvinoff has been actively engaged recently in endeavouring to elucidate from the foreign ministries of the Baltic States whether they would welcome active assistance from the Soviet in case their independence was threatened and if so what form.

Whatever may be the result of these and other developments, arising from the Soviet's important new role in European affairs, there at least is general agreement among political and other commentators this morning that the British and French approaches to Russia are making good progress.—Reuter.

REVIEW OF CONTACTS

London, Apr. 20. "There never has been a busier international 'bull' than the present one."

This is the apt conclusion reached by the Diplomatic Correspondent of the London Times in reviewing the comings and goings of kings, rulers, and diplomats while the world waits for Hitler's answer to President Roosevelt.

"The visits fall into three main groups," the Correspondent points out. "The British and French contacts are stretching out to Moscow and A-korn; with several main branches from Poland and throughout the Balkans. These may be described as all progressing well."

"The second group are the German and Italian contacts, which need not automatically be included in the acceptance of Rome-Berlin scheme—contacts, for example, with Tefeld publicly in Rome and with the Yugo-Slav Government quietly in Belgrade."—Reuter.

MILITARY AID ACCORD

Paris, Apr. 20. It is understood that Britain and France have informed Russia of their willingness to conclude a three-Power military aid accord.—United Press.

FLYING DOCTOR

Bukerfield, Cal. Residents of the Mojave desert no longer worry about the great distances separating them from the nearest physician. All they have to do now is to call Dr. Thomas A. Drummond and he steps into his ambulance airplane and flies to their aid.

Chungking

Ambassador And Peace Rumours

Chungking, Apr. 20. A large number of Chinese officials and the British Consul-General in Chungking greeted Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr when he arrived here from Kuming yesterday by air.

It is pointed out in official circles that since Sir Archibald arrived after Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek gave the important press interview that there was no possibility of peace under present circumstances, all rumours of peace in connection with the Ambassador's present trip had naturally been dispelled.—Central News.

Should Be Impressed. China's determination to continue the war of resistance will doubtless be observed by Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, says the Tai Kung Pao in an editorial, commenting on the British Ambassador's arrival at Chungking. This determination of the Chinese army and people, the paper continues, was clearly stated by Chiang Kai-shek in the press interview of April 18.

Her anti-British policy and determination to conquer China, the editorial says, makes Japan the common enemy of China and Britain. "The article concludes by pressing the hope that the Ambassador will further cause close co-operation between the British and Chinese Governments."

Upon his arrival at Chungking yesterday afternoon Sir Archibald Clark Kerr was handed a copy of Hankow Herald, the local English paper, which had given prominence to the interview granted by Chiang Kai-shek to the press on April 18, when he declared that "peace was impossible under existing circumstances."—Reuter.

ABYSSINIAN WAR Interesting Lecture At European Y.M.C.A.

An interesting lantern lecture on the Abyssinian War was given at the European Y.M.C.A. last night by Lt.-Col. H. E. Holt, who from 1930-5 was Commander of the British military unit in British Somaliland, and from 1935-7 British Military Attaché in Addis Ababa.

He outlined the start of the campaign from all angles, touching on his personal experiences which were illustrated by a fine collection of photographs. He finished with a careful study of the Emperor Haile Selassie, and gave reasons for his downfall.

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INTERESTING PROGRAMME FOR THIRD EXTRA MEET

FIRST CLASSIC RACE ARRANGED SINCE CARNIVAL ST. GEORGE'S PLATE DRAWS GOOD FIELD

(By "Capt. Foster")

St. George's Plate, the first classic handicap of the season since the Annual Carnival, and eight other events, feature the programme of the Third Extra Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club to be held to-morrow at Happy Valley. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

Discovery Bay To Concede A Heavy Weight

The curtain raiser will be the St. Kilda Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a short trip of six furlongs and it looks that we shall see a good swing in the opening chorus owing to the fact that anything may happen. A comparison of the weights of those who ran in the Cabramatta Handicap (over a mile 171 yards) and what they are set to carry in this event will undoubtedly prove interesting:

Cabramatta Handicap	St. Kilda Handicap	Difference of weights
Discovery Bay (1st) 140 lbs.	147 lbs.	plus 7 lbs.
A Great Time (2nd) 142 "	142 "	same
Macquarie River (3rd) 141 "	140 "	minus 1 "
Strathcarrick (4th) 137 "	135 "	minus 2 "
Annabella 105 "	108 "	plus 3 "
Cape York 140 "	135 "	minus 5 "
Dick Turpin 103 "	100 "	minus 3 "
Murray River 148 "	141 "	minus 7 "
Perfect Day 140 "	136 "	minus 4 "
Twilight Star 102 "	145 "	plus 43 "
Violet Queen 130 "	138 "	plus 8 "
Zodiac 105 "	148 "	plus 43 "
Bredon 108 "	108 "	same
Roofly 105 "	105 "	same

It will be seen that for a beating of a length, the winner, Discovery Bay, has been asked to concede 7 lbs. to A Great Time while Macquarie River, who finished behind the latter by a short head, has a pull of 8 lbs. The form book shows that A Great Time and Macquarie River have faster legs in a sprint than over the distance run and in the Cabramatta Handicap, Bredon (after her successful run in the Flemington Plate beating A Great Time by three lengths) will be looked after by Mr. Proulx and it looks that the combination is hard to beat. We must not overlook Strathcarrick, who has been kindly treated with a difference of 11 lbs. against Discovery Bay and the mare has not now the habit of dropping her anchor in the home stretch. Cape York is well in on the handicap, but it depends upon his mettle. Violet Queen does not appear to be extremely fit, but the lady is a good outsider. Zodiac is also good over this distance.

St. George's Plate Prospects

Great interest has been taken in the training of China ponies, bona fide griffins of this season, for the St. George's Plate over the champion course owing to the fact that the conditions of the classic have barred the entry of Navygirl and Rose Elect. Since the inception of the race in 1931, it has always been a handicap event for griffins of the current season with no restriction but last year the Stewards imposed a ban on ponies classified "A" class and it was no doubt done to prevent a "walk-over" affair either by Silky-light or Desert Chief. The intention was good, but the absence of Conatus Boy and Expression Time gave Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Cameronian an easy passage in the St. George's Plate.

It was, however, one of the fastest runs performed by a griffin and it may be of interest to know that the difference of minutes and seconds between the first winner and second in the inception and Cameronian was 11.1/8 seconds. Hereunder is a list of winners and the track figures:

1931 L. Dunbar's Fortune Bay	2.39.3/5
1932 Samson's Princess Hall	2.32.4/5
1933 Mrs. Pearce's Trenbridge	2.35.2/5
1934 A.M.L. Soares' Prima Donna	2.32.4/5
1935 Dynasty's King's Jubilee	2.33.3/5
1936 Eu Tong-sen's Rose-Queen	2.35.1/5
1937 Harbrad's Royal Scot	2.30.3/5
1938 Eve's Hove Eve	2.28.2/5
1939 Eu Tong-sen's Cameronian	2.28.2/5

(* Dead Heat)

It will be seen that when Fortune Bay annexed the first classic (a cup presented by the President of St. George's Society) the circuit of 1 1/4 miles was covered in 2.39.3/5 whereas last year Cameronian took 2.28.2/5.

Rob Roy Fancied For This Race

A good race should be seen in the Canton Handicap (first section) for "B" class China ponies over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in. It will be recalled that in the Hongham Bay Handicap (first section) run at the Easter session Rob Roy lost the race to Moonlight View by a short head after a few minutes of deliberation by the Judges and that win has cost the latter just one pound of the lead. Rob Roy seems to be at the peak of his form and I fancy the laddie for this event. But I am afraid of Red Feather, who may turn the tables. New Star looks dangerous at only 151 lbs.

Put Your Money On Hectic View

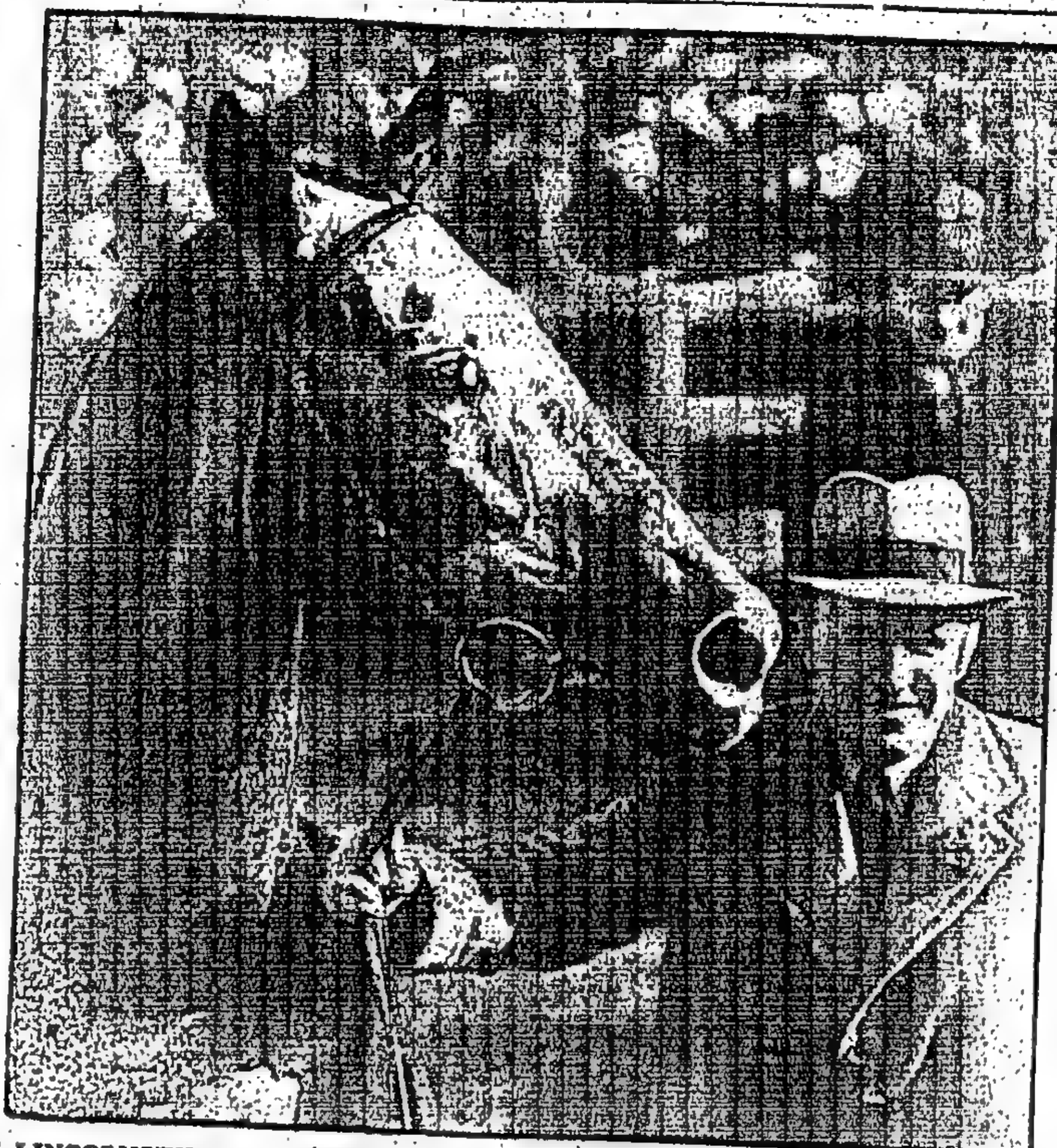
In the fourth event, the Fatshan Handicap (first section) for China ponies "C" class over six furlongs, Hectic View, who holds the post of honour, has a better chance here than in the previous race, for the stallion has shown his prowess in the Mrs. Bay Stakes as a speedy roadster. King Kong, who let the supporters down very badly but ran a good second behind Jennifer in the Kellett Handicap on Easter Monday, has been allotted only 151 lbs. and the pony is almost on the same level with Musketeer, who annexed the Valley Stakes in 1.28.3/5. The last named is certainly a speedy merchant over six furlongs and with a good rider in the saddle the pony must be in the limelight. Of Mr. Eu's outfit it appears to me that Rose Emily will be Mr. Encarnacao's mount while Rose Jane will be piloted by Mr. Poy. A Jockey will have to be found for Rose Evelyn, but in any case the first "Rose" is dangerous for the mare was only half a length behind King Kong in the Kellett Handicap. Blue Diamond is nicely weighted. Of all the ponies mentioned Hectic View is the one to have your money on.

HOBART STAKES

An interesting scramble will be seen in the Hobart Stakes for Australian subscription ponies of this season that have not won more than \$500 in stakes and the sprint is from the 1 1/4 mile post. Among the list of 12 entries I cannot see anything to trouble Ruby Star, provided of course he should be on the move at the release of the barrier. I am inclined to believe that Ruby Star does not like the tape business. As a substitute I recommend Bruno with Mr. Proulx in the saddle and Helium, the property of Mr. Reidy.

A. J. P. Heard	2.39.3/5
F. M. L. Soares	2.32.4/5
A. J. P. Heard	2.35.2/5
G. A. Harriman	2.32.4/5
C. G. Frost	2.33.3/5
P. Botelho	2.35.1/5
G. A. Harriman	2.35.1/5
Y. T. Fung	2.30.3/5
C. Encarnacao	2.28.2/5

In 1931 the state of the going was far from satisfactory, but one must admit that we have now a better class of China ponies and there is reason to expect a good fight for



THE LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.—The winner, Squadron Castle, who started at 40 to 1, with his owner, Mr. S. H. Oxenham, a book maker. The horse was fourth in last year's race, and cost his present owner only 300 guineas.

FINE RACE MAY BE EXPECTED

The first leg of the daily double is on the Broken Hill Handicap for Australian youngsters of this season and the run is from the two mile post, once round and in. All the good uns with the exception of Candlight have been entered and we are sure to see a fine race. This class of ponies has always provided us with plenty of thrills and it appears to me that the contest is very open. However, Triumphant Day with Mr. B. L. Tao up (the winner of the Rooty-Hill Derby) is at the top of the tree with 165 lbs. to carry; in fact we cannot find him to be anywhere else, and he has to be at his best to stem the challenge of Chiltern (Mr. Encarnacao), Cocklehol (Mr. Needes), Happy Landings (Mr. Davis) and Rivulet (Mr. Fih). I am not under-rating others such as Devonian (Mr. Black), National Victory (Mr. Chanson), Rising Star (Mr. S. W. Pan), Sydney Lad and Victory Day as "NBG," but I certainly cannot nominate a pony which I do not like. In my estimation, like this jaunt, which is a little over the mile course and the chestnut candidate from the John Peel stable is looking extremely well. He is well keyed and I like him. Chiltern is dangerous and so is Happy Landings. Rivulet is not to be despised.

Gladiator Should Be Dangerous

With a bit of blue sky Gladiator should register his first win for the new lady owner, Mrs. A. E. Grasett, in the Canton Handicap (second section) over a course round and in. The second leg of the daily double is on this event and it is earnestly hoped that the mare will not disappoint her lovers. Amberley will be looked after by Mr. Wei while Bistre will have the same jockey in Mr. Chanson. The latter can be trusted to give you a good run for the money, provided of course that the going is firm. Pinfarthings does not require any formal introduction as the chestnut gelding has cost the public quite a good sum of money. I wonder whether his sojourn in Fanning during the winter has turned him into another animal?

More Nominations Than Jockeys

A fine novice event has been framed by the racing Stewards. It has presented a fascinating problem to the owners to find jockeys, for there are 22 nominations in the Kongmun Stakes over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in. The following is a list of probable starters and jockeys:

Black Diamond	Mr. Payne
Chancellor	Mr. Ho Pak-ming
Gallant Marshal	Mr. Coppin
Patience Service	Mr. W. K. Yuen
Old Fashioned	Mr. O. Badick
Patriotic Day	Mr. Wood
Some Hope	Mr. K. I. Ip
Talkative	Mr. K. F. Chiu
Thanksgiving Day	Mr. K. F. Chiu
The Eucaneer	Mr. Lo G. Hin
The Spirit of St. Louis	Mr. S. W. Lee
True Love	Mr. G. W. Cooper

No jockeys have yet been found for Argon, Ascot Vale, Fairchild, Gog, Heddon, King's Envoy, Kut, Chingun, Matador, Opening Batman, and Rose Day.

My fancy is some Hope, Gallant Marshal and National Service, and I expect to see them cross the wire in that order.

Doncaster Rovers Beaten At Home

In the northern section of the Third Division of the English Football League, Doncaster Rovers, playing at home, were defeated by Bradford City by two goals to one to-day.

Here And There With "Abe"

Some Facts About 'Two-Ton' Tony Galento

AS has already been announced, Tony Galento, the burly, beer-drinking, cigar-smoking, bar-tender from New Jersey, is considered as the world's leading heavyweight contender for the championship held by dusky Joe Louis, and will meet the negro in a little bout at the Yankee Stadium on June 28. The New York State Athletic Commission recently sanctioned the fight on condition that Galento appeared before a Commission doctors for a thorough physical examination, but Galento had no difficulty at all in passing this test. So arrangements are going ahead for this fight; and meanwhile Joe Louis staked his title April 18, winning in the first round. Galento undoubtedly will be the biggest proposition for Louis since he knocked out Schmeling. The New Jersey bar-tender, who has been fighting for some 12 years but failed to achieve other than local recognition until he began posing for publicity pictures along with beer steins and black cigars, has been engaging in a bout with Louis for many months in his campaign to get a fight with the champion, he has often referred

to Joe Louis as "that big bum," thus bringing upon his head the wrath of some of the more sober followers of the fight game in the United States.

Had Pneumonia

HE was considered well on the way to a bout with Louis last summer, but a siege of pneumonia, which almost cost him his life, laid him low, and so weakened him that it was only comparatively recently that he was able to resume fighting. Since returning to the ring, he has knocked out a number of second rate heavyweights in his time, although his performances were not always too satisfactory, as he incurred the displeasures of two States—Michigan and Illinois—and was banned from further appearances there. Galento, nicknamed "Two-ton," because of his immense size, was born in Orange, New Jersey, on March 12, 1910. Today, his tavern, where he serves behind the bar and trains on large quantities of beer, is situated only a few minutes' walk from the house where he was born. Starting as an amateur Galento was so good and possessed such a devastating wallop that he was urged to turn professional—as much for the sake of his purse as the safety of the boys whom he used to knock around. Since making the step, Galento has scored knock-outs over Nallo Brown, Lorenzo Pack, Al Ettore, LeRoy Haynes, Harry Thomas, Nathan Mann and Otis Thomas. In the summer of 1938, just before he was scheduled to fight his most important contest, with John Henry Lewis in Philadelphia, pneumonia laid him low. He waged a terrific battle with death, and won; and was scarcely pronounced out of danger than he was back in the ring again.

Lays Off Liquor

APPEARING in yesterday's issue was an article relating to Galento's forthcoming fight with Joe Louis. One of the conditions apparently is that Galento has to remain teetotal until he has met Louis; otherwise the fight is "off." The match, after approving of the tender may not be in a fit condition by the time he meets the champion, and have put him in moral chains. As the writer of the article succinctly put it, the authorities are "turning heavyweight boxing into a subject for a comic strip."

Cricket Politicians

A month before the start of the cricket season the politicians of the game had their innings at Lord's when the Board of Control met to make arrangements for this summer's Tests and the Advisory Committee to discuss matters of county importance. The first job of the Board was to appoint selectors, and, as anticipated, they decided on Percy Fennell as chairman in succession to Sir Pelham Warner. Fennell, who has, as selector, helped to build up a strong England side, was a great batsman in his time and is now a splendid judge of a player.

Gussain Singh (Kumaons), Duda Ram (Kumaons), M. H. Hassan (Radio) and M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.); Shah Wah (Rajputana Rifles), Neraln Singh (Kumaons), Lt. Pritam Nath (Rajputana Rifles), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.) and Parbata Singh (Kumaons).

W. J. BRANCH LEADS ANNUAL SILVER KING GOLF TOURNAMENT

At Moorpark to-day, W. J. Branch, with scores of 70 and 66, aggregating 136, leads the field at the end of the second round in the Silver King Golf Tournament.

Other scores were:
Alfred Padgham 71 68=139
Donald Curtis 74 65=139
Ward 74 65=139
Reg. Whitcombe 72 68=140
Henry Cotton 73 71=144
Charles Whitcombe 144
Fifty-seven players with aggregates of 148 or better qualified for the final 36 holes to-morrow over the high course.

Abe Mitchell and Arthur Havers were among the notable non-qualifiers.—Reuter.

Hockey

ENGLAND TO PLAY INDIA TO-DAY

Postponed from Wednesday, the International Hockey Tournament final tie between England and India will be played to-day on the Royal Navy ground at King's Park. The winners will meet Portugal in the final on Sunday at 4 p.m. on the Club ground.

Both teams are very strongly represented and while England were fully extended against Scotland in the first round, they gave an excellent impression and stand a good chance of causing an upset by eliminating India, who were far from satisfying in the first round clash against China.

Following are to-day's teams:
England: Pte. Osman (R.A.O.C.); V. C. Bond (Club) and L. Bdr. Carter (R.A.); Bdr. Dillnot (R.A.), Lt. Hook (R.A.) and E. Fowler (C.B.A.); S. A. Fowler (Club), E. R. A. Gemmel (Navy), G. H. Fowler (C.B.A.), Bdr. Marshall (R.A.) and L/Cpl. Dunne (Middlesex).
India: N. S. Sen Gupta (University); Datta Ram (Kumaons) and

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ERIC BOON BACK IN ENGLAND Keen To Make "Business" Trip To U.S.A.

London, Mar. 28.
British light-weight champion Eric Boon and his inseparable companion Harry Silver, the Clapton feather-weight, were all smiles when greeted at Waterloo last evening on their arrival home from a four weeks' holiday in America.

Both boys are convinced that the easiest fights of their careers would be the conquering of the United States. They are sure that they could "clean up" on the other side of the Atlantic if only they were released from the managerial leash.

Genial Jack Solomons, looking all the better for his vacation, beamed with delight as he listened to the chatter of his charges, and said that American enthusiasts had made idols of them.

"Silver boxed badly in his contest in Newark; he was too eager," declared Solomons, "yet the newspapers next day said he was an uncrowned champion."

Boon has been studying form in New York gymnasiums, and his impression is that there are few, if any, men of his weight on the other side of the Atlantic whom he could not beat.

Boon's joy was tempered by the knowledge that he is suffering from a fracture of the first knuckle of his right hand. This was revealed in an X-ray photograph taken in New York, and as a result the British champion has had to wear plaster of Paris on the damaged hand for a time.

Offers from American and Canadian promoters both for Boon and Silver simply poured in while we were in New York," said Solomons, "and I think we shall be returning to America in a couple of months."

"Silver already has a number of opponents fixed up for him, while Boon has been told that there is a big chance of meeting either Armstrong or Lou Ambers for the light-weight championship in the late summer."

Boon intends to rest at Chatteris before starting his five weeks' vaudeville tour.

DIAMOND LOST Visitor's Bad Luck In Central District

Somewhere in the streets of Hong-kong yesterday was lying a white Brazilian diamond, dropped from a ring worn by Mrs. Fairweather, a visitor to the Colony from Australia, who is staying at the Peninsula Hotel.

The stone is valued at £125. Mrs. Fairweather reports that she travelled between the office of the P. and O. Steamship Company, Jardine Matheson and Company and the Hongkong Hotel between 11 a.m. and noon. While at the Hongkong Hotel she noticed that the stone was missing from its setting.



HURDLING STYLE as shown by one of the Cambridge athletes. Practice and still more practice is the requisite of the hurdler. Speed, poise and rhythm combine to take the hurdler over the obstacles without ungraceful stumbles and loss of stride. The action of the right knee in particular, as it crosses the top bar of a hurdle, demands much study in itself.



With Dorothy Lamour and Lloyd Nolan in the leading roles, Paramount's new romance, "St. Louis Blues," is now showing simultaneously at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres. Apart from the theme song, there are several other catchy tunes.

Probable Starters For 2,000 Guineas

London, Apr. 20.
Following are the probable starters and jockeys for the 2,000 Guineas to be run over a mile at Newmarket on Wednesday—Fulham (Jones), High Peru (Richardson), Wheatland (T. Burns), Fairstone (Beary), Triguerio (Bartlam), Signal Light (Pat Beasley), Control (Maher), Tamworth (Perryman), Dispenser (Gordon Richards), Romeo II (Brethes), Llandaff (Lowrey), Morwell (Sam Wrang), His Highness (Crouch), Admiral's Walk (Harry Wragg), Dhoni (Charlie Smirke), Potheen (Carlsake), Fairfax (Sibbritt), Blue Peter (E. Smith), Rogerstone Castle (Elliot), Alquitmaitre (Gardner), Chancery (J. Taylor), Csanova (Nevett), Hypnotist (Stephenson), Fox Cub (no jockey), Ramboda (no jockey), Fair Chance (no jockey), Lemanoue (no jockey), Diadoque (no jockey).—Reuter.

Mr. Henry E. Morris' Pasch won the 2,000 Guineas last year and was also successful in the Eclipse Stakes and, although starting as favourite in the Derby, was beaten by Bois Roussel, a French entry.

LONDON, Apr. 20.—The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs told the House of Commons that the Government was fully aware of the interest aroused abroad by the B.B.C. broadcasts in foreign languages, and the possibilities of useful extensions of these broadcasts were constantly under consideration by the Government and the B.B.C.—British Wire- less.

Hammond's Hope In Farewell

"As far as I am concerned, I hope this is the last timeless Test to be played between South Africa and England," declared Wally Hammond, England's captain, in a farewell message before leaving South Africa.

Hammond added that matches and tours between South Africa and England should be more frequent and he thought of the Springboks team to tour England next year would be very strong.

His final words were about the wickets. "The grounds and wickets here are exceedingly good and that of the Wanderers is perhaps the best ground upon which I have ever played."

A Big Loss To Rugby In Scotland

Edinburgh, Mar. 27.
R. W. Shaw, Glasgow High School (F.P.), has decided to retire from Rugby. The Evening Dispatch learns that Shaw has played his last game. Shaw first came into prominence as a member of the school team, and subsequently when he joined the F.P. club he developed into one of the finest three-quarters Scottish Rugby has produced for many years.

Although by no means a giant physically, he is one of the most fearless and determined tacklers in the game. Like the great player he is, however, he did not rely wholly on his defensive play for his success. He was equally outstanding as an attacking back, and it is perhaps in that capacity that he will best be remembered. His strong running, allied to a deceptive swerve, made him an opponent to be feared, and time and again he has won matches by his own effort because of the courageous manner in which he went through single-handed whenever the opportunity occurred.

Shaw, who has walked into every Scottish team since he was first honoured in 1936, has been remarkably free from accidents. For years controversy raged between rival schools of opinion as to whether his real position was centre, wing, or stand-off.

Shaw is by no means a veteran, but he had been in the thick of first class Rugby for some six years now, and in the past season or two he has found it more difficult than formerly to devote the time to the game which calls on his services demanded.

The Evening Dispatch understands that his brother, Ian Shaw, also intends retiring from the game. Glasgow Rugby, in fact, may be without other prominent players before the new season comes round. I. E. Wilkie, of Hillhead, has played his last game for Hillhead, and there is talk of members of other Glasgow teams also retiring.

BOWLS RINKS Matches Arranged For To-Morrow

The following will represent Kowloon Football Club against Kowloon Dock Recreation Club and Kowloon Tong Garden City Association in friendly bowls matches to-morrow:

Second team v. K.D.R.C.:

B. Evans, W. Simpson, V. Chiffenden and W. V. Field (skip).

W. Excell, J. T. Smalley, R. Hall and J. Gibson (skip).

A. L. Eastman, A. Moss, P. Young, husband and T. Ferguson (skip).

Third team v. K. Tong:

H. Mills, D. Izatt, C. M. Hall and P. Morgan (skip).

R. Hughes, C. Fuller, H. Bunje and V. Petherick (skip).

L. Bones, J. Ross, T. White and C. Champelovier (skip).

KOWLOON DOCK

The following will represent Kowloon Dock Recreation Club in a friendly bowls match against Kowloon Cricket Club on the K.C.C. green at 3 p.m. to-morrow:

P. B. Parks, W. C. K. Mackie, W. D. Molnar and S. Gray (skip).

V. N. Swenney, Capt. Williams, G. Henderson and R. Lapsley (skip).

C. S. M. Thom, M. Ferguson, W. Houston and J. Kempton (skip).

Reserves: A. E. Pearson, W. Forsyth, R. Morrison, J. C. Brown and F. Cullen.

Baseball GIANTS LOSE TO DODGERS

New York, Apr. 20.
The following are the results of matches played in the Baseball League, to-day:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	0	3	1
Boston	2	6	0
New York	3	7	0
Brooklyn	5	0	1

Other matches postponed on account of rain.

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	7	9	1
Tigers	8	10	1

(14 innings were played).

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	0	7	2
New York	2	7	1

Washington 0 4 1
Philadelphia 2 6 0
St. Louis v. Cleveland postponed on account of rain.—United Press.

Badminton RECREIO TEAM IN SHANGHAI

By winning two matches of three played this evening, Shanghai is leading Hongkong 3-2 in the badminton Interport between Club Lusitano and Recreio.

In the women's doubles Misses O. Ribeiro and Silva (Recreio) beat Miss H. C. Collaco and Mrs. A. S. Costa (Lusitano) 17-14, 15-5.

In the men's singles B. A. de Senna (Lusitano) beat M. Oliveira (Recreio) 15-9, 15-5.

In the women's singles Mrs. A. A. Remedios (Lusitano) beat Miss M. Xavier (Recreio) 8-11, 11-1, 11-3.

Two mixed doubles games to be played to-morrow will complete the series.—Reuter.

SPORT ADVTS THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

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S.S. "PRESIDENT PIERCE" MAY 12th at 1.00 a.m.
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To help you, study these diagram sketches of the types of hat which will suit each type of hair. If you go in for that softened roll (right), for instance, you can afford to try a smart severe sailor or Breton; if you wear your hair across the nape of your neck (bottom left) balance it with high pillboxes or deep bonnets. If you sweep it boldly back and up (bottom right) you can safely risk one of the more exaggerated and sophisticated new hat shapes.

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HEAT ½ pint milk and pour it over 4 ozs breadcrumbs and leave to soak. Then add ½ lb cooked, minced ham, 1 grated apple, and a little finely-chopped parsley. Season to taste, and stir in the well-beaten yolk of 1 egg.

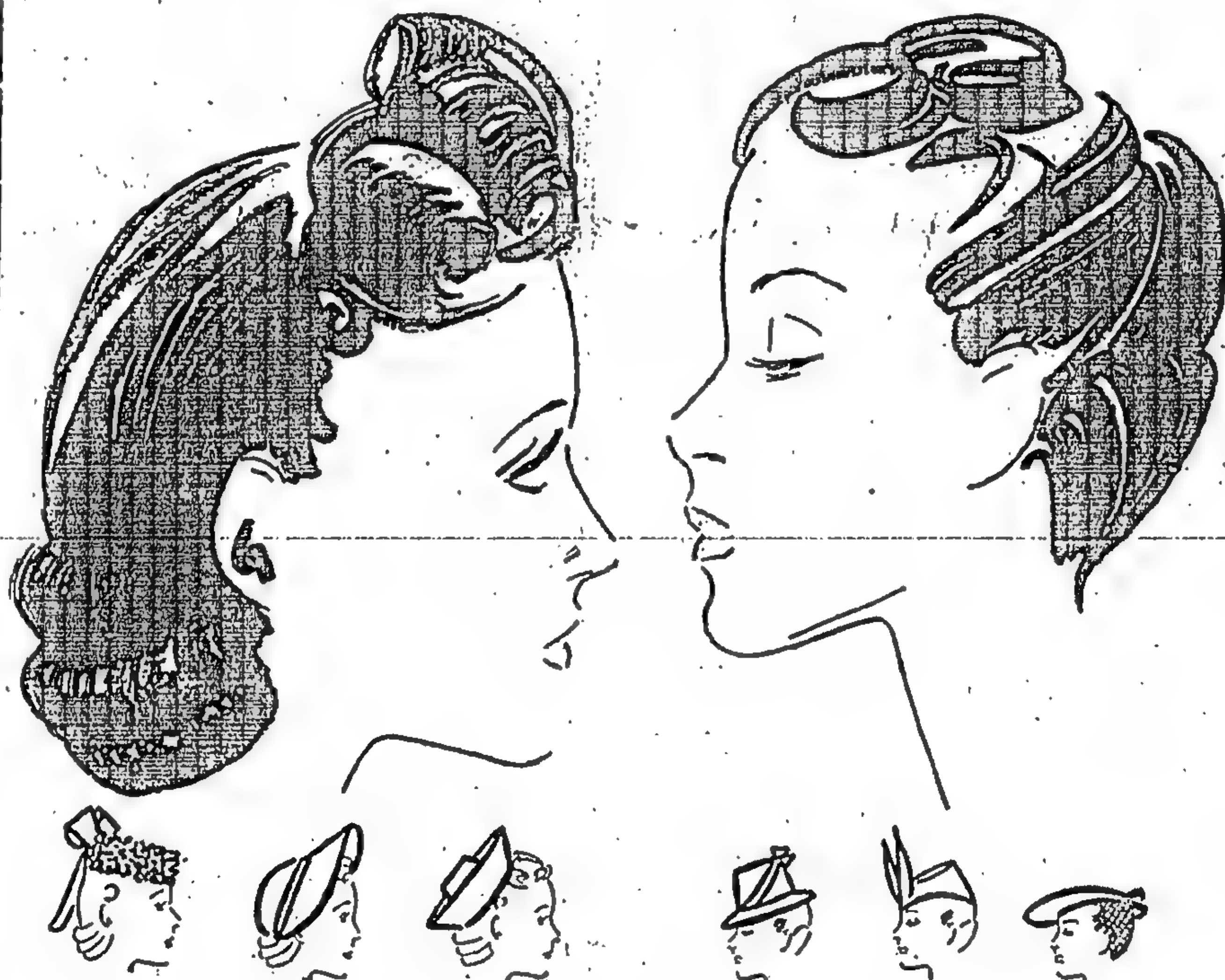
Mould the mixture into flat, round cakes, shaking in a little flour if too moist. Dip each rissole into the well-beaten white of egg, then into fine raspings, and fry to a golden brown on both sides.

Drain well and serve with gravy or tomato sauce.

B. M.



One of the softest, most becoming new hair styles is this way of sweeping the curls up and off your forehead, but softening the line by a long roll going down to the nape of your neck. Hats to top this are, from left to right: (1) A stiff boater. Smart, and its difficult line will be offset by your hair. (2) An upturned Breton—a lovely line, which will again be balanced by your hair roll. (3) A high-crowned, curving-brimmed felt—an easier-to-wear development of the Breton.



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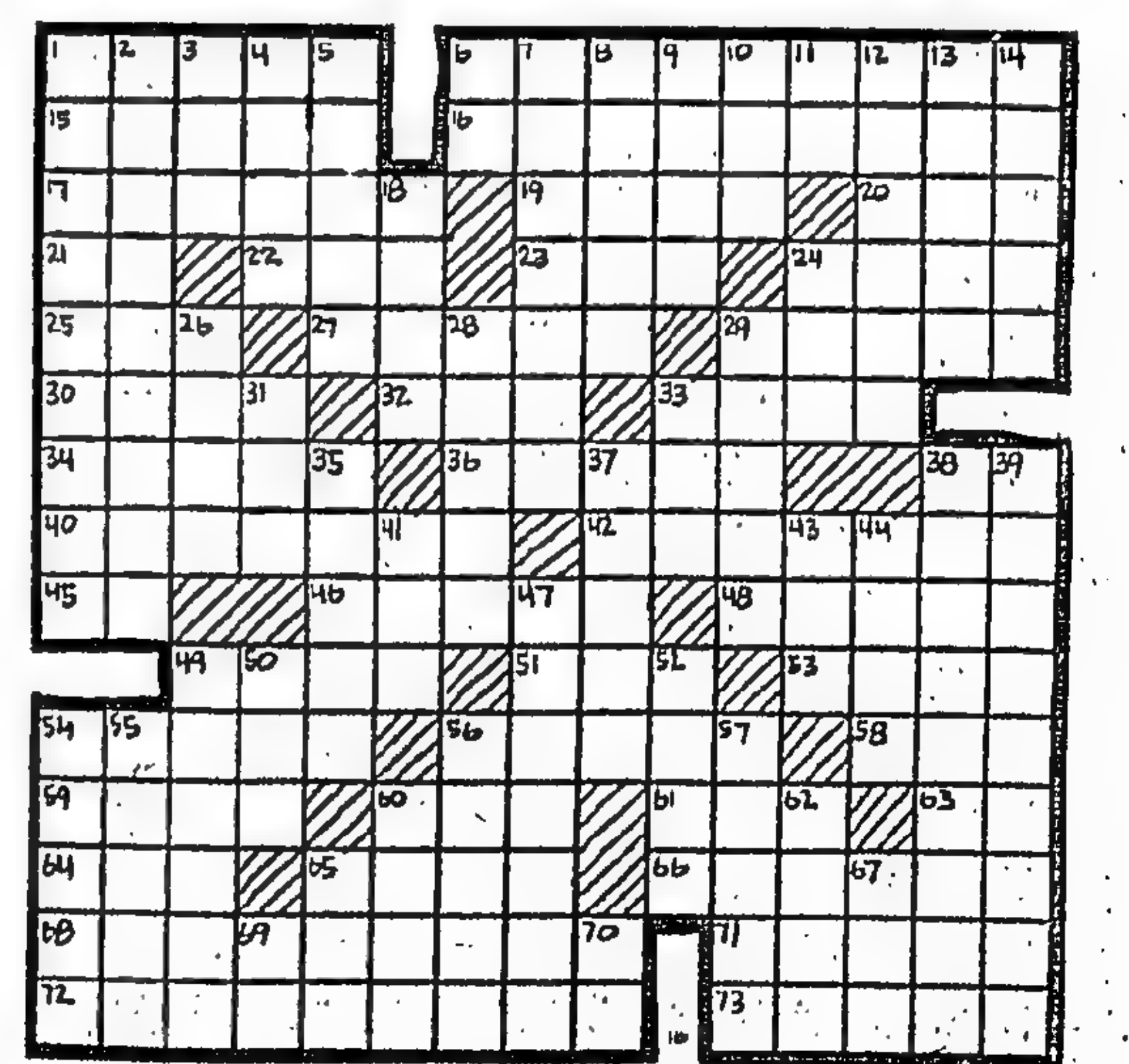
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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1—Severely of life
2—Destroyed large proportion of
3—Surgical exercise
4—In addition to
5—One producing cause
6—Mountains in Wro-
7—Highway
8—Painful
9—Prescribed by
10—Take out by tearing
11—In addition to
12—Apparatus for smoking tobacco
13—One course around
14—Preserved in time
15—One who ventilates
16—Nervous ex-
17—Neurotic spasms
18—Thins that causes
19—Lately young woman
20—That man
21—Wife fairly
22—Lasting forever
23—Terminates (Scottish)
24—Quickest road used in making sugar
25—Circled mother who turned to stone
26—False in words or
27—Flowing device
28—Traveling firm
29—Water pluckers
30—Lower surface of
31—Devoided

DOWN
1—Olive size for like
2—Repeated recital
3—Take out locusts of
4—Volatile emanation
5—Pertaining to ad-
6—Answer to purpose
7—Condition of sen-
8—Balance errors
9—Social association
10—Old interpretation
11—Mildly
12—South American mammals
13—Public warehouse
14—Tree
15—Disease of town
16—Undressed fur-skin
17—Chained by hooding
18—Pain
19—Contested
20—Pain to heart
21—Kind of music
22—Quailed in middle
23—Made familiar by
24—Crimson
25—Crimson support
26—Eminent American
27—Monger
28—Bingo
29—Genuine
30—Source of achievement
31—Contract with
32—Laborious
33—Type of boat
34—Quailed in middle
35—Kind
36—Mild air
37—Bride of nativity
38—Those in office
39—Toss (verb)
40—Outset (verb)



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LONDON DRIVE FOR A.R.P.

London's drive for A.R.P. volunteers recently included a mass march to County Hall. Top picture shows Mr. Herbert Morrison climbing down a fire escape from the terrace of County Hall to the fire engine from which he spoke to volunteers. Below: Two styles of uniform worn by women members of the Auxiliary Fire Service.



Miss Phoebe Frances Hewson, daughter of Mr. W. Hewson, licensee of The Cricketers, Newington Butts, S.E., with her bridegroom, Mr. E. N. Tye, after their wedding at St. Martin-in-the-Fields. The wedding was held on a Sunday to permit the staff to be present during closing hours.

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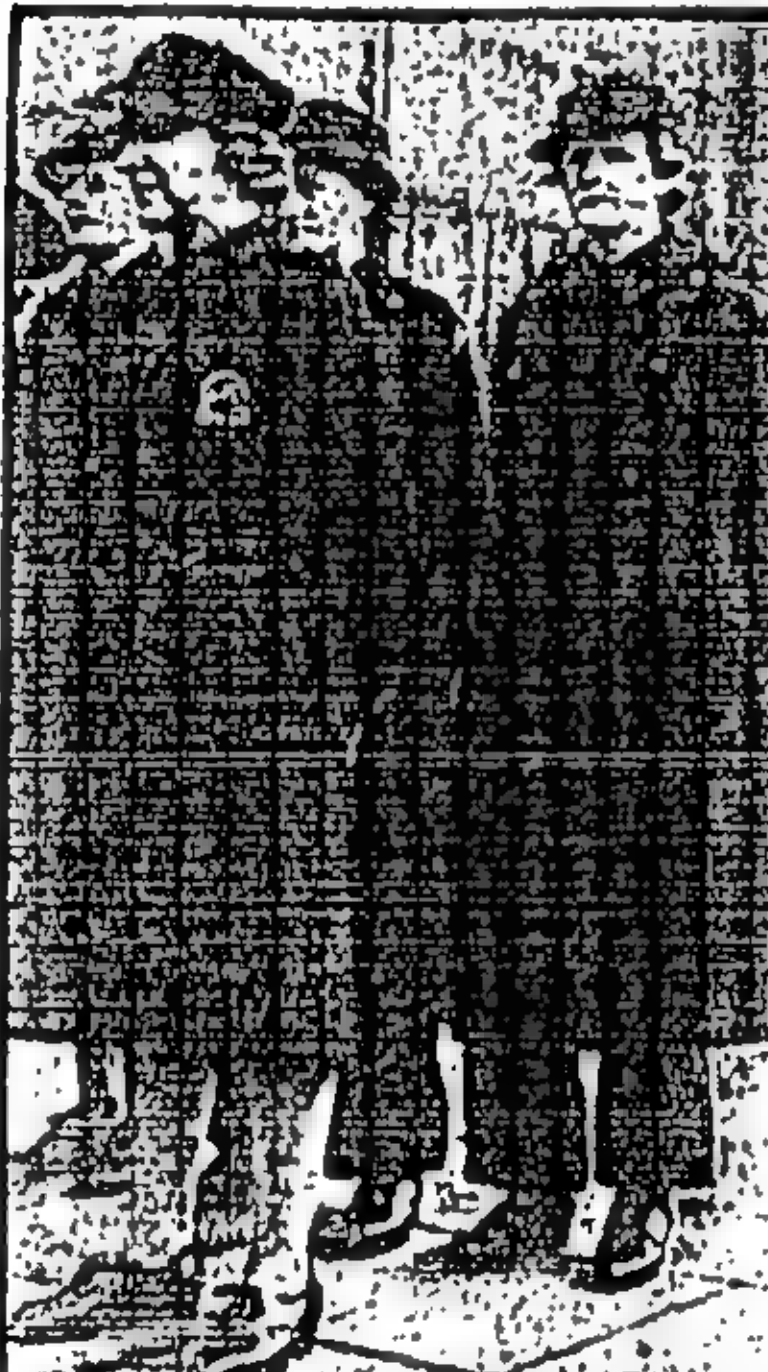
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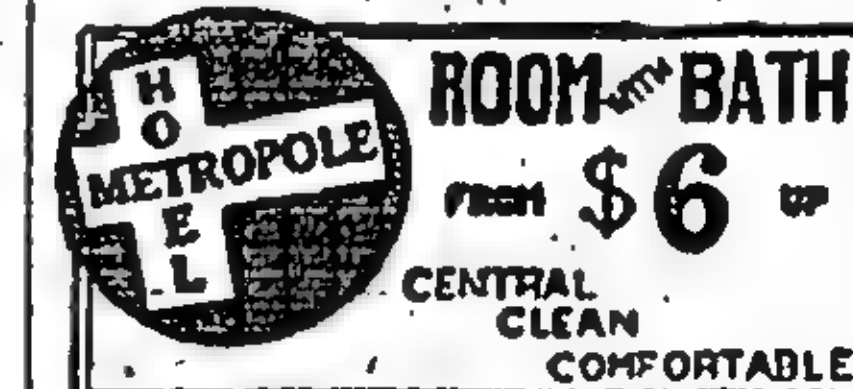
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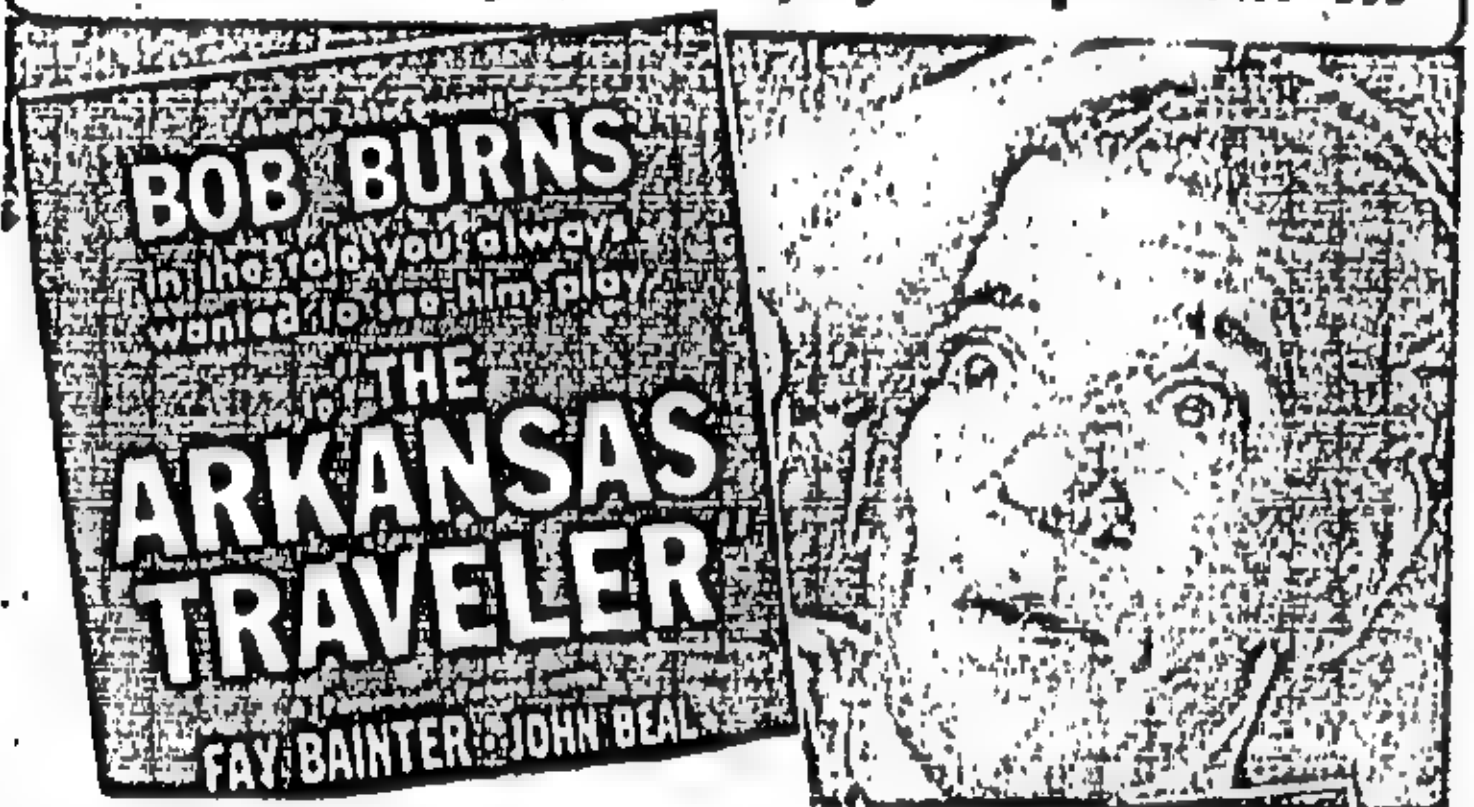
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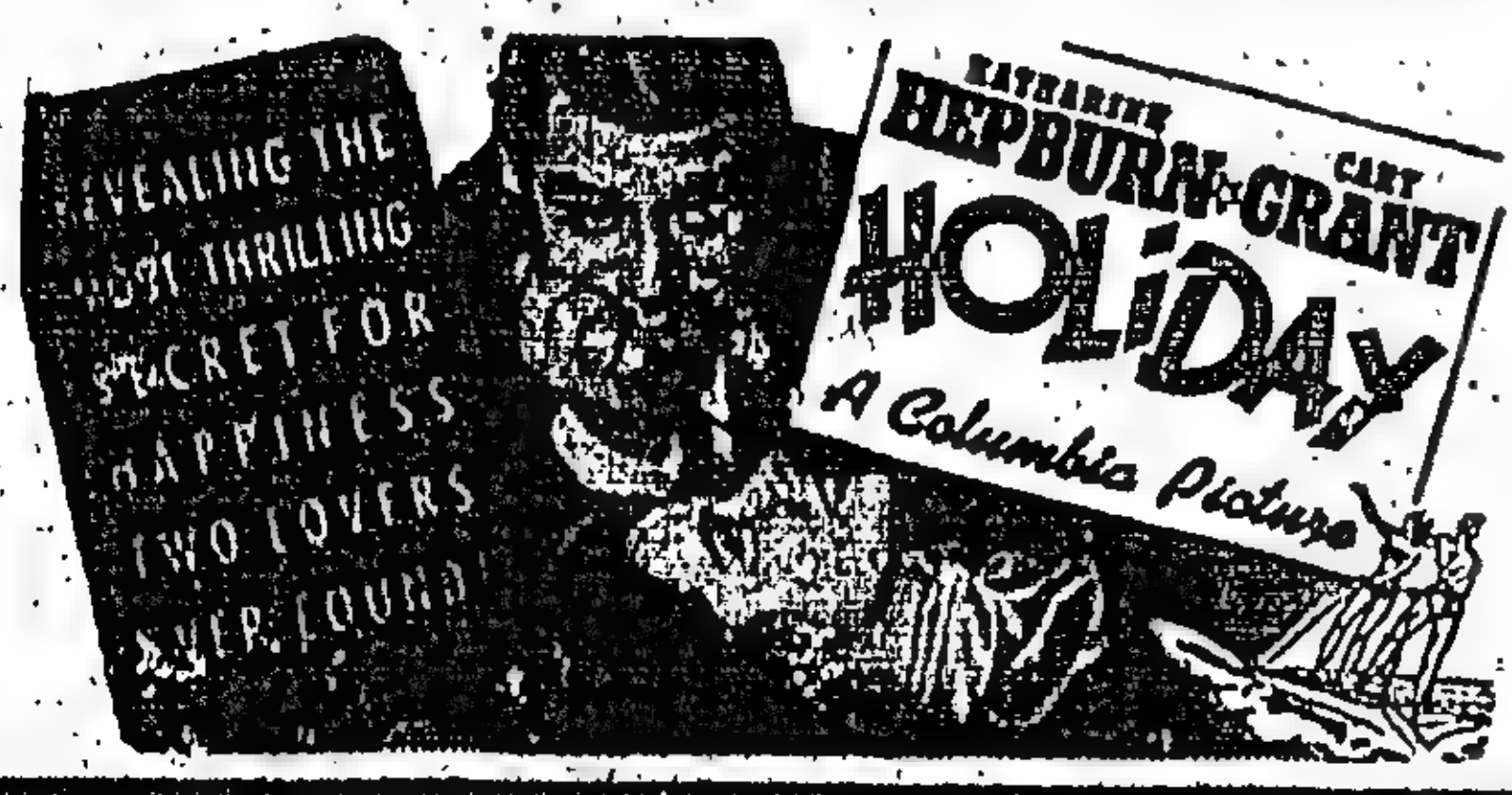
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DEATH SENTENCES Two Men Found Guilty At Sessions

Sentence of death was passed by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Session yesterday on Leung Chi, 25, and Tsai On-chai, 31, coolies, who were found guilty of the murder of Wong King-cheung at Yau-mati on March 4.

The Crown's case was that Wong was attacked by a gang of men, including the prisoners, and received severe injuries from which he died. The defence was a complete denial. Mr. J. Whyatt, Crown Counsel, appeared for the prosecution. Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. W. C. Hung, was for the first accused, and the second was represented by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, on the instructions of Mr. P. M. Hodgson.

The following comprised the Jury: Messrs. H. C. H. Becker (Foreman), Poon Kwan-wul, Chan Yung-chai, G. E. Ahwee, Tan Joo-lam, Chung Kum-chuen and Chan Shu-wa.

Giving evidence, Leung denied having taken part in the attack and said that at the time the murder was committed he was drinking tea in a shop, in Sheung-shui Street. He did not know Wong. The evidence against him was that he had given evidence against him. The reason why they had testified against him was probably mistaken identity.

Cross-examined, Leung said that the Police interpreter did not explain the charge to him but merely told him to sign a document. There was no mention of the murdered man's name and he did not know the charge against him.

Mr. Whyatt: Did you, in answer to the charge say "I did not have a quarrel with him"? I did not quarrel with him.

Judge's Warning

Counsel said that was not what he asked and repeated the question more than ten times, but the accused gave the same answer, whereupon he was advised by His Lordship that it was in his own interests, in view of the gravity of the charge against him, to give a direct reply, otherwise the Jury might draw an adverse inference.

Leung repeated that he did not quarrel with Wong, and His Lordship then said:—"If you do not answer such a simple question, I shall write down in my notes that you declined to answer, despite being repeatedly asked, and this will go to your credit. I did say that, because I in fact did not quarrel with him."

Mr. Whyatt: Who were you referring to then if you did not know the murdered man's name? The interpreter mentioned the name of a person whom I did not know.

Were you referring to the man whose name was read out to you? Yes, but I do not remember what his name was.

Further questioned, Leung denied knowledge of the Wo Shing Wo and Sha Lok Yau Societies or having been to 107 Temple Street.

Tsai told the Court that on the morning of the crime he went to Shamshuipo, by way of Reclamation Street, and then to Kowloon wharf to look for work. He remained there the whole day, watching people fishing.

Tsai said he did not take part in the murder, nor did he know Wong or the witnesses, for the Crown.

Address to Jury

In his address to the Jury, Mr. Whyatt pointed out the absence of any suggestion by the defence that what the witnesses for the Crown had said was anything but true. This meant that everyone of the witnesses was honest and therefore their evidence that they positively saw the two prisoners in the attack must be believed.

Mr. Macnamara reminded the Jury that human testimony was always fallible and said there had been numerous cases where honest and upright people—well-intentioned at the time—picked out persons who later turned out to be not the ones whom they believed they saw.

Mr. Anderson asked the Jury to bear in mind that of the 16 witnesses called for the prosecution only four in any way implicated Tsai. Of these four, two might be called the mainstays of the Crown's case, but their evidence was unreliable in that they later attempted to fit in the stories they had told at the Magistrate's trial.

Tsai, Counsel continued, was alleged to have stabbed Wong in the back, but the evidence of the doctor told of no such injury. In fact, each of the witnesses deposed to one individual blow and in different

places, and this evidence must be regarded as unreliable in view of the fact that they claimed to be eyewitnesses.

"Of the four persons who identified the charge, and their heavy responsibility, had been put forward as one person produced who could say that he had recognised the man although he did not know him. Is it not possible that these witnesses who knew a second hand, which they saw?" asked Mr. Anderson.

Summing Up

In his summing up, His Lordship reminded the Jury of the gravity of the charge and said that as no circumstances had been put forward which might reduce the indictment to one of manslaughter, their verdict must be either guilty or not guilty of murder.

Interesting witness for the Crown was the girl hawk, Leung Ngan-nul, who had all the faults of her sex—an incurable curiosity—though she gave the impression that she was rather stupid. She had, however, accused the story of having seen both accused attack Wong, and although Mr. Anderson had made a suggestion tantamount to her having committed perjury, he (His Lordship) could not find anything why she should do so.

The defence had put forward an alibi and yet they had not seen fit to call witnesses in support of it, though this might easily be done. Their reactions to the horrible charge of murder did not appear to be that of an ordinary or normal person, for if they were innocent, they would have at once demanded that inquiries be made in the places where they said they had been, but they did not do so.

Human observations and testimony, went on His Lordship, were essentially fallible, but in the present case if the jury were to adopt the axiom, they had to disregard totally the seven witnesses who had stated positively that they saw both accused among the attackers, and to accept the unsupported stories of the defence.

The Jury retired for 15 minutes and after they had returned their verdict of guilty, His Lordship said to the prisoners:—"You have been found guilty on abundantly clear evidence of a deliberate, persistent and abominably cruel attack on Wong King-cheung when he was defenceless, sitting in a tea-house with his back to you."

The condemned men were led from the dock protesting their innocence.

His Lordship exempted the Jury from service for a year and told both Macnamara and Mr. Anderson that if they had any representations to make on behalf of the prisoners, they were to forward them to the proper quarter.

AIR CAPTAIN'S DEATH

Coroner Finds No Evidence Of Negligence

A finding of death from misadventure, with no blame attached to anyone, was returned by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest sitting as Coroner at the Central Magistrate's yesterday, when the inquiry into the death of Wong Hon-man, 28, captain in the Chinese Air Force, who died following an operation at the Hongkong Sanatorium and Hospital, Happy Valley, concluded.

Wong died on March 20, shortly after he had been operated on for a dislocated shoulder, from ether anaesthesia. The operation was performed by Dr. Phoon Seck-wah, assisted by Dr. W. J. Sun, and the other anaesthetic was administered by Dr. Au Yeung, surgeon attached to the Chinese Air Force, but not registered in Hongkong.

Mr. George She, instructed by Messrs. Lo and Lo, watched the proceedings on behalf of the hospital. Mr. P. H. Sin held a watching brief on behalf of Dr. Phoon, and Mr. D. L. Stollert was present for the Chinese Commission for Aeronautical Affairs.

In delivering his finding, the Coroner remarked that there had been no evidence of negligence.

Indian Troops For Egypt In Event Of War

CAIRO, Apr. 20.—General Percy Scarlett and several other officers of the Indian army are arriving in Cairo from India in four days time, to discuss the garrisoning of troops from India in the event of war.

A London message says that it is understood this is purely a preliminary and precautionary investigation.—Reuter Special.

PROTEST TO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

(Continued from Page 7.)

The latest terroristic outrage made him consider that the Municipal Council lacked sincerity for the maintenance of peace and order in the International Settlement.

He requested a guarantee for the security of the International Settlement in future.—Dome.

PRESS ATTACK

Shanghai, Apr. 20. The Japanese newspaper Tairiku Shinpo publishes an editorial charging the Municipal Council with anti-Japanese intentions owing to their failure to remove Chinese flags, similar to the French Concession, where the actions of the French police were praised.

The editorial says: "There is undeniable proof that the anti-Japanese elements made the rounds of Chinese shops and households of the International Settlement, compelling Chinese to hoist flags without the least interference from the Municipal police."

It says that the Municipal Council was "insincere and also failed to give proper regard to the Japanese warnings. It proves that the Settlement has discarded neutrality."

Meanwhile the Chinese Press demands that the Chinese Government protest to France regarding the French police activities in the French concession.—United Press.

FLAGS DISPUTE

Shanghai, Apr. 20. The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, after ordering Chinese stores to open for business, said that they have undertaken all negotiations with the French authorities, upon which they presented three requests: The French police to return to Chinese stores all the confiscated flags.

All Chinese who have been arrested to be released.

To grant to Chinese residents and storekeepers in the French Concession the right to fly Chinese flags at any time according to their own free will.—United Press.

New Westminster Hospital Opened

London, Apr. 20. The King, accompanied by the Queen, opened the new £850,000 Westminster Hospital which has been removed from the old site opposite Westminster Abbey to elsewhere in Westminster.

The two children's wings bear the names respectively of Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose.—Reuter.

Quezon's Visit To U.S.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.—Reliable sources here state that President Manuel Quezon will issue a statement soon saying that he is unable to go to the United States during this session of Congress, although he may be able to come later in the year.—United Press.

New Governor For Bengal

LONDON, Apr. 20. Sir John Woodhead has been appointed Governor of Bengal. He will take up his new post on June 11. Formerly, with Sir Robert Reid, he was Joint Governor of Assam.—Trans-Ocean.

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TRICK GOES ASTRAY

Shopkeeper Not Fooled By Forged Letter

Before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistrate yesterday, Wong Wing-nuen, Ng Tsai, and Chan Yee, a woman were charged with attempting to obtain money by false pretences and conspiracy to defraud. They denied the charges.

Detective-Sergeant R. Macvey said that a few days ago, a shop-keeper, Lui Pak-yuen, received a letter purporting to have been written by his cousin in Macao, and which contained a request that money was to be handed to a man named Chan Kwai-hung, who would call for it.

On Tuesday, Wong went to Lui's shop in Water Street, West Point, and produced a letter, saying he was Chan Kwai-hung. Lui, however, had seen from the first that the letter from Macao was not in his cousin's handwriting, and detained Wong who said two people had sent him with the letter. They were waiting for him to return in Des Voeux Road West. Lui sent an assistant to the spot and he returned with Ng and Chan. The police were then sent for.

All defendants were convicted. Wong and Ng were sentenced to three months' hard labour on each count, and the woman received sentence of six months' hard labour on each count, as she had two previous convictions. All the sentences are to run concurrently.

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ANGLO-FRENCH OFFER TO SOVIET THREE POWER MILITARY PACT

LONDON, APR. 20.

IT IS UNOFFICIALLY REPORTED IN ISTANBUL THAT THE ANGLO-TURKISH ANTI-AGGRESSION NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDED.

It has been learned from authoritative sources in Paris that Britain and France have also informed the Soviets, through the Soviet Ambassadors to London and Paris, both of whom are on their way to Moscow, that they are prepared to conclude a tri-power pact for military assistance with Moscow, even if Poland and Rumania do not agree to accept Soviet aid against aggression.

POLISH OBJECTIONS

Authoritative sources state that the pact is virtually completed, but negotiations are still proceeding to iron out the Polish and Rumanian objections to a line-up with the Soviet.

If these objections are maintained, Britain and France will conclude an "over-riding pact" under which the Soviet's aid would be utilised under a plan upon which the British, French and Soviet high commands will very soon hold conversations.

NO ORIENT GUARANTEE

The reports that Britain and France are prepared to guarantee the Soviet's Far Eastern frontiers are definitely untrue, diplomatic circles say.

They added that this is a subject upon which the United States "may have something to say."—United Press.

NEGOTIATIONS CONCLUDED

Istanbul, Apr. 20.

The Turkish newspaper "Vakit" announces that negotiations between Britain and Turkey have been concluded.

This report, however, has not been officially confirmed.

The "Vakit" says the Anglo-Turkish understanding is unlike the Anglo-French guarantees to Rumania and Greece, Turkey is joining the anti-aggression combination with a view to constituting a strong peace front in the Near East.

The agreement, it says, is not directed against any particular State, but aims specifically at assuring Turkey's own safety.—United Press.

Anglo-Soviet Ties Strengthened

LONDON, APR. 21.

The veil over the British approaches to the Soviet to secure her adhesion to the anti-aggression front has been lifted, says the "Daily Telegraph."

Ambassador Seeds, it is understood, submitted to M. Litvinov the suggestion that the Soviet should extend to Rumania and Poland pledges of readiness to come to their assistance by whatever means appear to be the most convenient means.

Last week, it was understood, Moscow was dubious about adopting the suggestion, there being doubts in the Kremlin as to the practical value of British pledges to Rumania and Poland. Further, there was known to be a sense of soreness in Moscow that it had not been constantly consulted in the earlier stages of the growth of the anti-aggression front.

Constructive Proposals

It is now gathered, says the diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," that the Soviet has now put forward constructive proposals.

These, while they may raise a number of technical problems, appear to establish beyond all question the willingness of the Soviet to join with Britain and France, without limits or reservations, pledging all its forces and resources to resist aggression in Europe by the Axis Powers.

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ITALIAN WARNING "Suppose Our Air Fleets Attack"

ROME, APR. 20.

THE "EBELE," popular journal affiliated with the Italian Government, declares in a leader to-day that the concentration of British, French and Soviet naval forces in the Mediterranean and Black Seas portends more danger than a declaration of war.

"A general attack by Italian air forces, however, will calm the troubled sea in a night" the paper says.

"It is a grave mistake to consider that concentration of fleet forces will threaten Italy."

"Supposing that the Italian bombers in Spain drop huge bombs on Gibraltar, the aircraft in Sicily attack Malta, and the air forces on the main land raid Libya and other places?"

"Such a supposition will turn a reality should the fleet concentrations continue unabated."—Domei.

German Fleet On Move

LONDON, APR. 20.

The pilot of a Dutch air liner reported on landing at Croydon from Amsterdam to-day that he had seen part of the German fleet in the North Sea.

The cross-Channel steamer, Isle of Thanet, en route from Folkestone to Boulogne, witnessed at 6.30 p.m. that she had sighted a squadron of German warships proceeding to Spanish waters.—Reuter Special.

U.S. NAVY UNDER WAY

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA, APR. 20.—The United States battle fleet left Hampton Roads at 6.35 this morning to commence passage through the Panama Canal to the Pacific.—United Press.

PREMIER TO MAKE STATEMENT

LONDON, APR. 20.

DURING a discussion on the business of the day in the House of Commons, Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Opposition, asked the Premier if he would make a statement on the international situation at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain replied: "Yes. I shall be glad to do that."—Reuter.

DIPLOMATS ACTIVE IN EUROPE

Hungarian Offer To Yugo-Slavia

ROME, APR. 20.

DIPLOMATIC sources state that Hungary has agreed to offer a non-aggression pact to Yugo-Slavia if Belgrade adheres to the anti-Comintern pact and joins the bloc revolving around the Rome-Berlin Axis.—United Press.

ROME

It has been learned from official sources that Signor Mussolini and Count Teleki, the Hungarian Foreign Minister, have re-affirmed the "common intention of their nations in directing further action towards the objectives of justice and peace which characterise the Axis."

A third conference took place in the Palazzo Venezia this afternoon between Italian and Hungarian statesmen.

Both Signor Mussolini and Count Ciano were present at the conference, which lasted several hours.

It is announced that on Friday, 11 Duce will give a farewell audience to Lord Geyser, the retiring British Ambassador in Rome.

His successor is Sir Percy Loraine. Trans-Ocean and United Press.

ISTANBUL

Istanbul, Apr. 20.

Turkish political circles, particularly those in sympathy with Western Europe, are following with very close attention the diplomatic discussions of M. Gafencu and Count Teleki, since they are convinced that the development of events during the last few days may endanger the existence of the Balkan Entente.

As to Rumania, these circles welcome the strengthening of her position after the British pledge, but at the same time they realise that economic and geographic conditions force Rumania into friendly relations with the Reich, especially since military assistance to her by the Western Powers can only be given via the Dardanelles and the Black Sea.

Special importance is also attached to the evident desire of Yugo-Slavia to come to friendly terms with Hungary. Here, according to the Turkish political viewpoint, lies the danger of a new Balkan bloc being formed between Hungary and Yugo-Slavia, with a friendly tendency towards the Berlin-Rome Axis.—Trans-Ocean.

SOFIA

M. Klossievannoff, the Bulgarian Premier, at a secret meeting of the foreign committee of the Sobranie, decided that Bulgaria would remain strictly neutral in any war in Europe.

Her policy was to "Wait and See". She had not received any invitation to join any group of Powers.

The Premier added that he had not concluded any secret treaty with any State, and he promised never to conclude such a treaty, or to declare war, without consulting the Sobranie.

M. Klossievannoff said that Bulgaria's claims to the Southern Dobruja as an outlet through Thrace.

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Hitler To Amplify II Duce's Rejection

"SELFISHNESS OF DEMOCRACIES"

BERLIN, APR. 20.

INFORMED political quarters in Berlin understand that Herr Hitler, following Mussolini's broadcast reply to President Roosevelt's appeal for peace on Thursday, will denounce the "selfishness of Democratic nations" in his Reichstag speech on Friday.

Amplifying Premier Mussolini's arguments, the German Fuehrer will trace the present situation back to the Versailles Treaty and point out that Germany's repeated proposals for "peace on justice" have been rejected by Democracies.

The same circles add that Herr Hitler will stress the "inconsistencies" of President Roosevelt's message, which, they say, is inspired by "selfish motives."—Domei.

Washington "Disappointed"

WASHINGTON, APR. 20.

An Official of the State Department declared that Signor Mussolini's rejection of President Roosevelt's proposals, while disappointing, might still leave room for co-operative action.

Should the President wish to pursue suggestions for guaranteed peace and the settlement of difficulties by the conference method, he might find a basis in the fact that there were some indications of peaceful intentions in Mussolini's response.

It is specifically noted that Mussolini did not altogether reject the idea of conferences, although he minimised the value of a large conference.

World Conference

The official said that President Roosevelt had got in mind a world conference on each of the three political subjects, namely disarmament, economic and political.

The largest conference he had in mind would be on economic questions; disarmament would be limited to the extensively armed nations, and political subjects would be confined to the European nations directly interested.

Hitler's Reply

Members of the State Department expect Herr Hitler's reply to follow on the lines of Mussolini's, but that it will be much longer, and will refer to replies likely to be received from the Balkan nations, to whom Hitler has posed the diplomatic question whether they feel themselves to be threatened by Germany.—Reuter.

London Impressed

LONDON, APR. 20.

The London evening papers comment favourably on the provisional reply made to-day by II Duce to the Roosevelt message.

All the headlines emphasise that Mussolini wants peace and not war. The diplomatic correspondent of the "Evening Standard," dealing with II Duce's speech, comes to the conclusion that Italy does not altogether agree with the present German policy.—Trans-Ocean.

Berlin Satisfaction

BERLIN, APR. 20.

Signor Mussolini's speech in Rome has been received with "satisfaction and full agreement."

Political circles regard his reply to President Roosevelt's proposals also as another decisive demonstration to the democracies of the solidarity of the Berlin-Rome axis.

One political commentator pointed out that Herr Hitler had often referred to Germany's building activity.

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MASS EXODUS OF CIVILIANS FROM TREATY PORT

Japanese Invasion Of Swatow Feared

TERRIFIED CHINESE refugees are pouring out of Swatow, following rumours that a Japanese invasion of Kwangtung's only remaining north seaport is imminent.

The complete evacuation of civilians has been ordered by the Swatow Municipal authorities, who are acting on instructions from the military authorities.

Grave anxiety prevails in the northern treaty port as a result of Japanese naval and transport concentrations at the mouth of the Han River.

The normal population of 60,000 has already been considerably reduced as a result of the orders for evacuation, and scenes along the highways to the interior are reminiscent of those which prevailed in Canton just before it fell to the Japanese.

Trains from Swatow to Chaochow are filled with refugees proceeding inland.

Access To Sea

It is interesting to note that Swatow remains the only port in China which permits the new Kwangtung political and military centre at Shikwan direct access to the sea.

The municipal authorities have warned that civilian evacuation must be completed before May 1. Material evacuation, which is also under way, must be completed before May 10.

Highway communications between Swatow and the interior, and particularly with Shikwan, have been systematically bombed by Japanese planes.

Swatow became a treaty port in 1858. Excepting Pakhoi, near the French Indo-China border, it is the only Kwangtung treaty port at present in Chinese hands.

Famous World Over

Regular passenger and freight services are maintained by British ships trading to Hongkong, which is 150 miles west of Swatow.

Swatow, in pre-war years, was one of the principal centres in Hongkong from which emigrants proceeded overseas.

The city is famous for grass cloth, pewter ware, drawn work and fans. Formerly Swatow owed the reason for its existence to the fact that it was terminus of the railway but it is now the business centre for this part of Kwangtung.

THIRD GRADERS

Members of the third grade here learned something about earning their own bread and butter—at least the butter. While studying dairy products, the children churned a batch, to make their studies more realistic, then ate it for lunch.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

LONDON, APR. 21.

THE GIRL who may one day become Queen of England is thirteen years old to-day.

Princess Elizabeth is celebrating her birthday at Windsor Castle.

A large two-tiered birthday cake with thirteen lighted candles upon it and her name written across the top in pale blue will be carried into Royal Lodge for the party.

The Queen Mother will be the chief "guest". Others who will attend the Princess's party will be the King and Queen and a few personal friends.

Princess Elizabeth's own tea-set from her famous doll's house will be used.

Hundreds of presents have already been delivered by special messengers. Many which came from persons in all walks of life will be returned, as it is against Royal custom to accept gifts from people unknown to them.

The Princess's mail, which included a telegram from Hongkong, was also heavy, and with the many letters there were birthday cards from children in all parts of the Empire.

HONGKONG TELEGRAM

His Excellency the Governor has sent the following message to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

"Grateful if you will convey to Her Royal Highness Princess Elizabeth the loyal and hearty congratulations and good wishes of all communities in Hongkong on the occasion of her birthday."

70 DIE IN AIR RAID

YUNGYUN, APR. 21.

MORE THAN 70 non-combatants were killed and maimed during a Japanese air raid over Poko, the East River city, on Tuesday.

The raiders rained about 60 missiles which wrecked a large number of houses.—Central News.

BRITAIN DECIDES 'NO DEEP SHELTERS'

LONDON, APR. 20.

THE CONFERENCE appointed in February under the chairmanship of Lord Hailey, to advise Sir John Anderson on air raid shelters, states in a report just issued as a White Paper, that it opposes the provision of deep bomb-proof shelters for the whole of the civil population, and favours a policy of dispersed shelters, giving protection against blast, splinters, and falling debris.

The report states: "This policy represents the means whereby measures, affording a considerable degree of protection, can be completed within a reasonable time, which seems of crucial importance."

The Objections

The three main reasons given in the report for opposition to deep bomb-proof shelters are:

1.—Diversions of material, effort and money from active defence.

2.—Technical difficulties of constructing a shelter system which would guarantee speedy and sufficient access to the population which would want to use it.

3.—The time factor of construction.

The report adds that it is estimated that it would require two years to construct 10 miles of shelter tunnels in London, and this would only provide shelter for 100,000 persons.

The report endorses the advice given to Sir John Anderson concerning the value of steel shelters, and a design for strengthening basements.

Commons Debate

In the House of Commons, Sir John Anderson, announcing his A.R.P. shelter policy, declared that deep or bomb-proof shelters for the whole civil population were impracticable.

No grounds had been shown for departing from the policy of blast and splinter proof protection as already announced, and the Government would make every effort to assure this policy being carried out.

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HONGKONG SOLDIERS

New War Office Plan Means Home

A LARGE NUMBER of soldiers of the Hongkong garrison are pleasantly affected by a new Army reform announced in London yesterday by the War Office.

The War Office has decided that, commencing forthwith, soldiers in foreign service at all garrisons will be entitled to return home—at the end of four years' service instead of, as at present, after six years.

This decision will become effective with a large number of men of all four battalions stationed in Hongkong.

Those who have served overseas for four years or over will be eligible to return to England in the next trooping season, and arrangements are already being made at Military Headquarters to put the plan into effect.

Not For Officers

It is understood that the arrangement does not apply to Officers.

In making the announcement yesterday, the War Office made it clear that the reform had been made possible as a result of the great improvement in recruiting.

May Get Pensions

Simultaneously, the War Office has announced that every soldier of good character and efficiency will be permitted in future to re-enlist and complete 21 years' service, thereby qualifying for a pension. This will apply also to the Regular Army reservists, who have already been offered an opportunity of rejoining to complete 12 years' service with the Colours.

LATEST

Water Supply Increased

Water restrictions on both island and mainland are being partially lifted to-morrow and supply will be available for ten hours daily, instead of eight hours.

Water will be available from 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.—11.

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WHAT CHINA HAS GAINED

CHUNGKING, Apr. 21.

SOME 69 TOWNS and villages have been re-captured by the Chinese since April 1, according to military quarters.

Many other towns and villages have been recaptured but re-lost during the period.

In Kwangtung, Shaping, Kowkong, Tingan (Hainan Island), Shekkok, Yangtun, Sunhu, Fashen, Tsing-kenhu and Nantauhu were retaken. Kiangai towns and villages re-occupied are Shangtang, Kaoyushih, Hultow and Yenangkai.

In Hunan and Hupoh the Chinese have regained Sintien, Huangtukwan, Tsachiaho, Wangchowangmiao, Sintel, Hsinglungsi, Chung Shan Island in Tungting Lake, Kuikwan, Kwantimiao, Shangyangtze, Hwangchiatsi, Sunleeheng, Shichilapan, Chuchilapan, Yangtzechen, Shangkang, Luwangcheng, Hsiachiatel and Chengchiatsi.

In Kiangsu they have again assumed control over Iing, Yaohaiwan, Pinghiao, and Pihshien while in Anhwei and Chekiang they have taken back Shangpai, Sinfeng, Hsuepu, Yinchihai and Tsiyang.

Honan towns and villages which reverted to Chinese possession are Tsintun, Chulienchen, Hwangkung-miao, Tungyuanchei, Tsungyehien, Pailiangchen, Tlochen, Litsatol, Hsintsi, Machwang, Kunchang, and Kechuanchen.

Shantung towns recaptured are Szesui, Sintai, Changyi, and Fehsien while Hupoh towns include Ningtsin, Hsien, Hsienchen, Jenku, Yenshan and Nankung.—Central News.

Indian Troops For Egypt In Event Of War

CAIRO, Apr. 20.—General Percy Scarlett and several other officers of the Indian army are arriving in Cairo from India in four days time, to discuss the garrisoning of troops from India in the event of war.

A London message says that it is understood this is purely a preliminary and precautionary investigation.—Reuter Special.

Daring City Hold-Up

A daring attempt at highway robbery in the heart of the city was frustrated shortly after midnight to-day by the use of a police-whistle by the intended victim, a Chinese.

The incident occurred outside the Gloucester Hotel, in Des Voeux Road Central.

According to a police report, five men suddenly approached a well-dressed Chinese outside the Gloucester Hotel and were about to attack him when he produced his police whistle.

After momentarily hesitating, the five men turned tail and fled.

When police rushed up in response to the shrill blasts from the whistle, which also brought a large number of people out of the Gloucester, they were informed of the incident.

A cordon was immediately thrown around the central district, which was combed for the robbers.

Half an hour after the incident four suspects were arrested.

New Governor For Bengal

LONDON, Apr. 20. Sir John Woodhead has been appointed Governor of Bengal. He will take up his new post on June 11.

Formerly, with Sir Robert Reid, he was joint Governor of Assam.—Trans-Ocean.

LONDON, Apr. 20.—The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs told the House of Commons that the Government was fully aware of the interest aroused abroad by the B.B.C. broadcasts in foreign languages, and the possibilities of useful extensions of these broadcasts were constantly under consideration by the Government and the B.B.C.—British Wireless.

LONDON, Apr. 21.—It would be as great a mistake to minimize, as to exaggerate its importance, comments the "Times" after examining the Chinese successes.

The paper adds that besides giving proof (which was indeed hardly necessary) of the excellence of the Chinese spirit for after two years of shattering reverses, the new offensive shows evidence of careful preparation and co-ordination.

The "Times" regards the developments at Kaifeng as being more significant than the encirclement of Canton, because of its effect on Japanese hopes to instal Marshal Wu Pei-fu there.

While discounting the possibility of the recapture of Canton, the "Times" says that the southern offensive will have achieved its object if it inflicts on the Japanese losses, exasperation and delay on a not too negligible scale, "and this it seems in a fair way to do."—Reuter.

CHINESE OFFENSIVE GAINS RENEWED VIGOUR

JAPAN'S ATTEMPT TO STEM TIDE FAILS

JAPAN'S DESPERATE attempt to stem the great Chinese counter-offensive has failed.

The Chinese, momentarily halted yesterday by fierce Japanese counter-attacks, have not only re-taken the initiative, but have extended the war front to a sixth province.

A general offensive has been launched in northern Kiangsu, the coastal province where the Japanese succeeded in gaining a large area as a result of the Hsichow landing last month.

A Chinese communique claims that the new offensive, which has apparently taken the Japanese completely by surprise, is making considerable progress along a wide front that extends from Sutsien to Lien-shui, Shuyang, Kwaiyin, Kwanlin, Jukao, Haimon, Yangchow and Shao-pa—a line that covers practically the entire northern part of the province.

The lull brought about in Kwangtung by the Japanese re-capture of Twengshing, thirty-five miles north of Canton, has also proved momentary.

Sunwui Captured

Sunwui, home of thousands of Overseas Chinese scattered throughout the world, has fallen to the Chinese forces operating under General Teng Lung-kwong.



According to the "Ta Kung Pao," the Chinese have now advanced to within three miles of Kiangsu, following the re-capture of Sunwui. Heavy street fighting occurred in Sunwui before the Japanese were engulfed.

Here is the position elsewhere in China, as reported by "United Press," "Reuter," "Central News," "Domel" and "Trans-Ocean."

KWANGTUNG PROVINCE

Chinese forces are still enveloping Canton in their offensive which aims at completely encircling the former capital.

A sea-saw battle is in progress at Fungching and Kunyui, both sides claiming successes. These two towns are 15 miles north-west of Canton. Since last week, the Chinese lines have drawn in to within ten miles of Canton on the western and northern sectors, to within 25 miles of the city on the eastern sector and to within thirty-three miles on the southern sector. The whole of the East River area south of the river is in Chinese hands.

HUNAN PROVINCE

The Japanese threat to Changsha after the fall of Nanchang has completely ended.

The Japanese operating along the Canton-Hankow Railway in the Yoyang sector are now back on their original positions gained last November, with the Chinese pressing fiercely on Yoyang.

An attempt by a Japanese naval party to outflank the Chinese forces by landing at Luchushan on the famous Tungting Lake, proved disastrous when Chinese artillery and machine-guns opened fire from the shore. The Japanese lost most of their boats and were forced to retire with heavy casualties.

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Chungking, southwest of Kaifeng, is now completely in Chinese possession.

The heaviest fighting in China is apparently taking place in this northern province, particularly around Lishih and Chungyang, two important cities in the west. Chinese sources claim that serious fighting is continuing on the outskirts of the two cities.

In the south-west part of the province, the Chinese counter-offensive is making steady progress along the Tatung-Puehow Railway, the terminus of which was re-captured from the Japanese last week. Since then the Chinese have steadily advanced down the railway. Supporting the Chinese drive along the railway, another Chinese Army is pushing along the western side of the line, with Linfen as its objective.

The Chinese units have occupied Chishan and Sinkiang.

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In the south-west part of the province, the Chinese counter-offensive is making steady progress along the Tatung-Puehow Railway, the terminus of which was re-captured from the Japanese last week. Since then the Chinese have steadily advanced down the railway. Supporting the Chinese drive along the railway, another Chinese Army is pushing along the western side of the line, with Linfen as its objective.

The Chinese units have occupied Chishan and Sinkiang.

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New Ship May Replace Paris

Fire On Liner Said Due To Sabotage

PARIS, Apr. 20. THE FRENCH Government, it is stated, reserves the right to decide whether to substitute the destroyed liner Paris by a new ship, adding that this would depend on the need and the prestige of the French mercantile marine for such a new unit.

Premier Daladier to-day received the Mercantile Marine Minister, M. de Chappedelaine, who made a detailed report on the Paris disaster. Results of police investigations so far seem to indicate that the fire was due to arson.

Explaining the statement that the Government will decide whether to replace the Paris, it is pointed out that the Government owns more than 70 per cent. of the Atlantic Company shares, and moreover, pays to the company an annual subsidy of 80,000,000 francs.—Trans-Ocean.

Normandie Bomb
New York, Apr. 20. Officials of the French Line deny that a bomb was found aboard the s.s. Normandie.—United Press.

Arson Charge
LE HAVRE, Apr. 21.—Formal charges of arson have been made against "persons unknown" in connection with the destruction of the s.s. Paris.

Investigations are being instituted throughout France in connection with a possible plot on the part of a foreign sabotage organisation.—United Press.

Flagship Returns This Evening

H.M.S. Kent, with the Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, on board, is expected to arrive in Hongkong at 6 p.m. to-day. She has been on a cruise in southern waters.

H.M.S. Falkmouth, which has been with the Kent on the cruise, is expected to-morrow morning.

H.M.S. Cardiff, which is leaving for England this month, is expected from Shanghai this evening.



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China As Democracy's Partner In Far East

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20. CHINESE officials have welcomed the reports from London saying that China might be invited to join the anti-aggression front.

Well informed circles declare that this indicates that Britain and France have not yet completely centred their attention on Europe.

Typical comments to-day were: "It is well understood that peace is indivisible, and war in any area in the world must affect everywhere." "Peace, to be effective, must be world wide."

Some quarters declare that the situation in China where war is already raging.

Bring Japan To Knees

The reality of a combination of a British, French, United States and Russian policy of anti-aggression would bring Japan to her knees in from three to six months.

The policy, they assert, should include an economic embargo against Japan, refusing to sell her the needed war goods and refusing to buy Japanese products, as well as positive aid to China.

Meanwhile official circles assert that in order to be effective the anti-aggression front must include China, because Japan is included in the Axis.

They said Japan, Italy and Germany act in concert, and time their acts of aggression in accordance with the situation in other parts of the world.

Britain and France should have a partner in the Far East to help them, in the event of war, from dispersing their strength first one way and then another, they declare.—United Press.

Japanese Reports Denied

London, Apr. 20. The Japanese press reports that Britain has offered to mediate in the Sino-Japanese war have been officially denied here.—United Press.

Envoy Calls on Wang

Chungking, Apr. 20. Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, the British Ambassador to China, who arrived here from Kunming by plane yesterday, called on Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign

NEW U.S. PROTEST Restrictions On The Yangtse

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20. ORAL REPRESENTATIONS to the Japanese Government have been made by Mr. Sumner Welles concerning the right of American citizens in the Upper Yangtse Valley.

Mr. Welles indicated to the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Hirohouchi, when the latter called at the State Department at Mr. Welles' request, the United States Government's dissatisfaction with what he described as the restrictions on Americans in that area.

Mr. Welles requested that the rights of United States businessmen and missionaries in the Upper Yangtse should be better respected.

Mr. Cordell Hull later indicated in a press conference that Mr. Joseph Grew, the United States Ambassador, to Tokyo might raise the matter with the Japanese Government.—Reuter.

Japan's Assurances

Tokyo, Apr. 21. An assurance that Japan does not intend to "extend her lines of defence" to the Spratly Islands, which Japan recently took over, was given by Rear-Admiral Kanazawa, chief of the Admiralty Publicity Bureau.

He said the islands were useless for strategic purposes as they consisted mostly of dangerous reefs, with no facilities for sea or land planes.—Reuter.

Le Havre, Apr. 20.—The liner Champlain sailed for New York to-day carrying the art treasures and passengers from the liner Paris.—Reuter.

Affairs, at the Foreign Office at ten o'clock this morning. The British envoy's call lasted about fifteen minutes.—Central News.

Bomb Terror: People Flee

Chengtu, Apr. 20. Chengtu is evacuating its surplus population as a measure against possible Japanese aerial bombings.

According to the evacuation regulations, old and weak, women and children are the first who must leave. Those who have no important occupations in the city must likewise go to the country.

An unusual rush is already evident along the various ways of exits from the city. There are seven highways linking Chengtu with other provinces or other centres of rural Szechwan. Each bus that leaves Chengtu is crowded with evacuees heading for the countryside.—Central News.

DELPHINUS INCIDENT

Chinese Soldier Fires On British Plane

THE R.M.A. Delphinus arrived in Hongkong early this morning with bullet holes through the starboard wing and tail fin.

After leaving Fort Bayard yesterday, bad weather forced the pilot to turn around, and he landed on a beach near Kwong-chowwan.

Apparently under the impression that a Japanese plane had landed, a Chinese soldier in the vicinity fired at the plane with a rifle. The bullet missed one of the petrol tanks by an inch, and it is probable that both holes were made by the one shot.

The plane carried two passengers, a Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt, who were bound for Hongkong.

Japanese Influx To Canton Sets Record

CANTON, Apr. 21. SETTING AN all-time high record, the Japanese population in Canton has passed the 4,000 mark, it was announced yesterday at the weekly press conference.

Up to the end of March, it was revealed, Japanese subjects in Canton, including Koreans and Formosans, but excluding the military, numbered 4,415. The 800 women included 300 geisha girls, waitresses and entertainers.

The Japanese population in Canton, it was stated, never at any previous time, exceeded 400.

By far the greater number of Japanese in Canton are following the profession of clerks in banks and commercial concerns, namely 1,600, while at the other extreme, only one Japanese is engaged in farming.

Some 40 Japanese doctors and nurses are in the city, as well as 14 civil engineers and contractors, four teachers, seven monks, and 25 photographers.

Japanese businesses in Canton at present are said to include 50 import and export firms, 60 hotels and restaurants, 80 grocery and general merchandise stores, 18 barber shops, seven shipping firms, six trucking and forwarding concerns, and 21 masonry and carpentry establishments.—Reuter.

No Anschluss In S. W. Africa

Union Anticipates German Troubles

WINDHOEK, Apr. 20. FOUR HUNDRED police from the South African Union, armed with a large number of Bren guns, and accompanied by four armoured cars, arrived here to-day in accordance with the scheme for amalgamating the South-West African police force with the Union force.

Meanwhile the Germans here celebrated Hitler's birthday by swastika flags from homes and business houses. The town otherwise presents a normal appearance, and all is quiet.—Reuter.

Won't Be Returned

Cape Town, Apr. 20. General Herzig, the South African Premier, to-day told Parliament that he was very strongly against the suggestion made by the Nationalist Party that the former German South-West Africa territory be returned to the Reich.

He added: "If the Nationalists are prepared to give back South-West Africa for the sake of peace, I maintain that the giving up of South-West Africa would mean giving up the Union. We shall defend our citizens in South-West Africa in the same way as if they lived in the Union."—Trans-Ocean.

Entraining Orders Cancelled

Johannesburg, Apr. 20. A detachment of 200 members of the South African police force, which was under orders to leave Pretoria this evening for South-West Africa, found at the last minute that the journey had been cancelled.

The reason given here for this change of plans is that conditions in South-West Africa are not such as to justify the despatch of police reinforcements. It was originally intended to, increase the police force in South-West Africa by 500 men.—Trans-Ocean.

"Will Protect Territory"

Cape Town, Apr. 20. "We would flee from South-West Africa just as soon as we would from the Union," declared General Herzig, speaking at the second reading of the South-West Africa Police Bill in the House of Assembly to-day, adding: "We will protect the territory as we would protect our nationals."

Dr. Malan, Opposition leader, moved a rejection of the Bill on the ground that amalgamation of the police forces of the Union and South-West Africa was contrary to the Union's policy of giving more and more self-government to the territory.—Reuter Special.

Govt. Camps For School Children

London, Apr. 20. The principle business in the House of Commons to-day was consideration, in committee, of the Government's camp bill, which facilitates provision of permanent camps for school use in peace time, and evacuation purposes in war, through the agency of non-profit-making companies.—British Wireless.

Quezon's Visit To U.S.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.—Reliable sources here state that President Manuel Quezon will issue a statement soon saying that he is unable to go to the United States during this session of Congress, although he may be able to come later in the year.—United Press.

MYSTERY SUBMARINE

Canadian Warships Ordered To Search

OTTAWA, Apr. 20. THE Defence Minister, Mr. Inn Mackenzie, has announced that four naval vessels have been assigned to search for a mysterious submarine which has been reported to be patrolling near Halifax.

The Deputy Minister has disclosed that the destroyers Skena and Saguenay and the minesweepers Gaspe and Fundy are at present patrolling the area. The air base at Dartmouth is also co-operating in the search.

The submarine is said to have been hovering in northern waters for more than a week.

Canadian navy officials admit that they possess information that a submarine was sighted "a stone's throw" from Campdown, near the wireless station at the mouth of Halifax harbour.

Rumours that the United States coastguard Champlain was en route to take part in the search were dispelled when the vessel went to Imperial five miles outside of the harbour for fuelling purposes.—United Press.

ENTERED HARBOUR?

Ottawa, Apr. 20. Mr. Mackenzie, the Canadian Defence Minister, states that the utmost vigilance is being exercised to establish whether the submarine did, as reported by Captain Latter, veteran Halifax pilot, enter Halifax harbour yesterday.

He said that as yet his department had no confirmation of the report.—Reuter.

Appeal To Incoming Ships

Dalagax, Nova Scotia, Apr. 20. The Commander of the naval dockyard has requested all inward bound vessels, which passed the Halifax pilot boat shortly after midnight on April 18 and 19, to communicate with the authorities in connection with the reported movements of the mysterious submarine.—Reuter Special.

Budget Debate Next Week

London, Apr. 20. The debate on the budget, which will be opened by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on Tuesday, will last over Wednesday and Thursday.

In announcing next week's business the Premier promised the Opposition leader to make a further statement on the development of international consultations at the earliest possible moment.—British Wireless.

New Westminster Hospital Opened

London, Apr. 20. The King, accompanied by the Queen, opened the new £350,000 Westminster Hospital, which has been removed from the old site opposite Westminster Abbey to elsewhere in Westminster.

The two children's wings bear the names respectively of Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose.—Reuter.

LONDON, Apr. 20.—Earl Stanhope, First Lord of the Admiralty, was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace this evening before His Majesty returned to Windsor.—British Wireless.

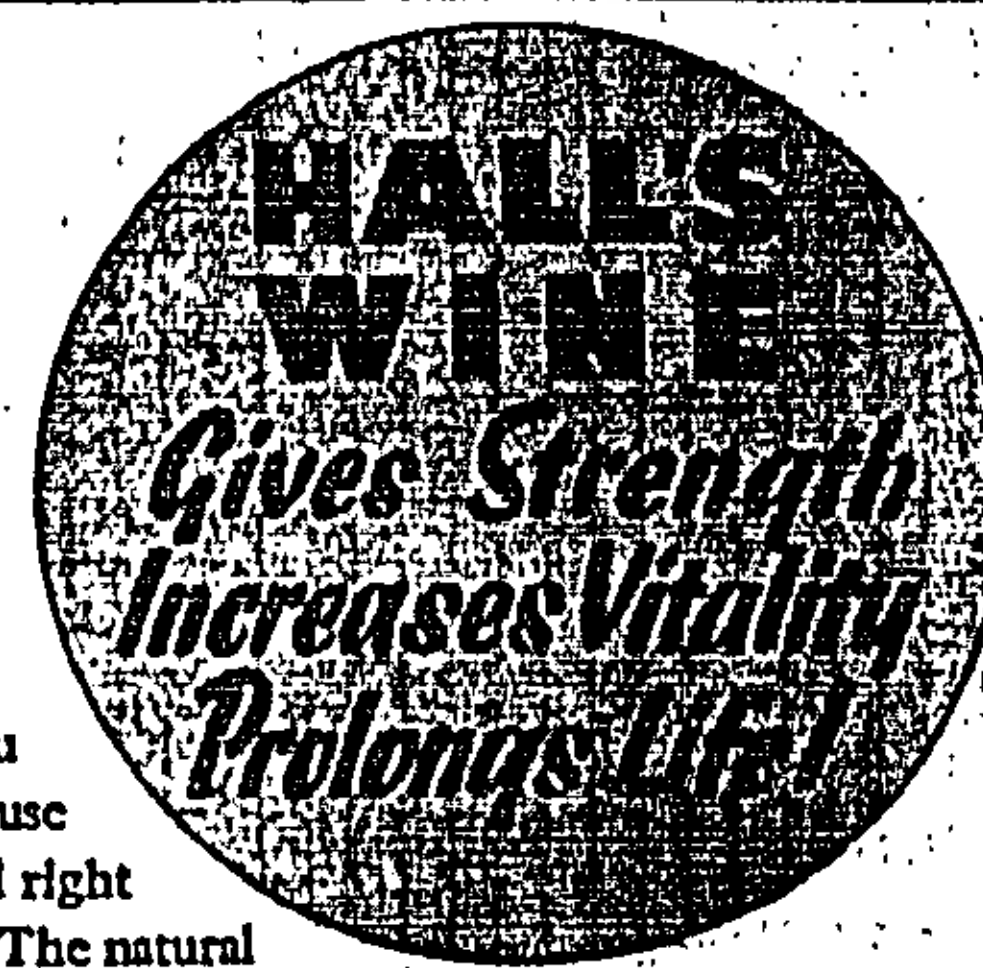
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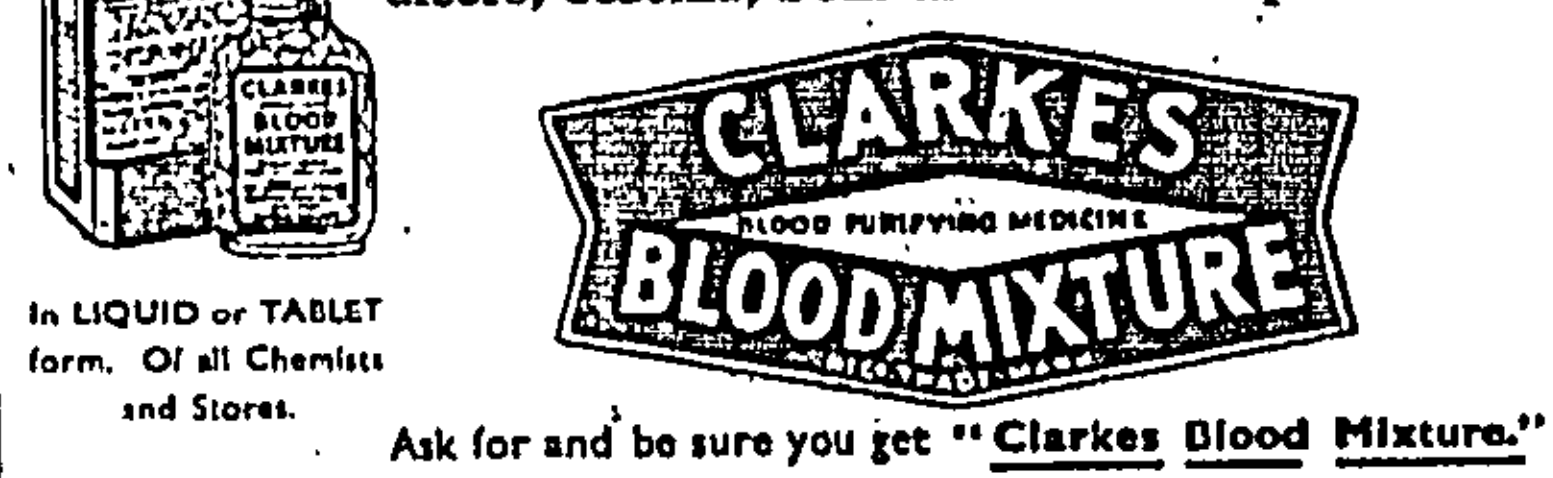


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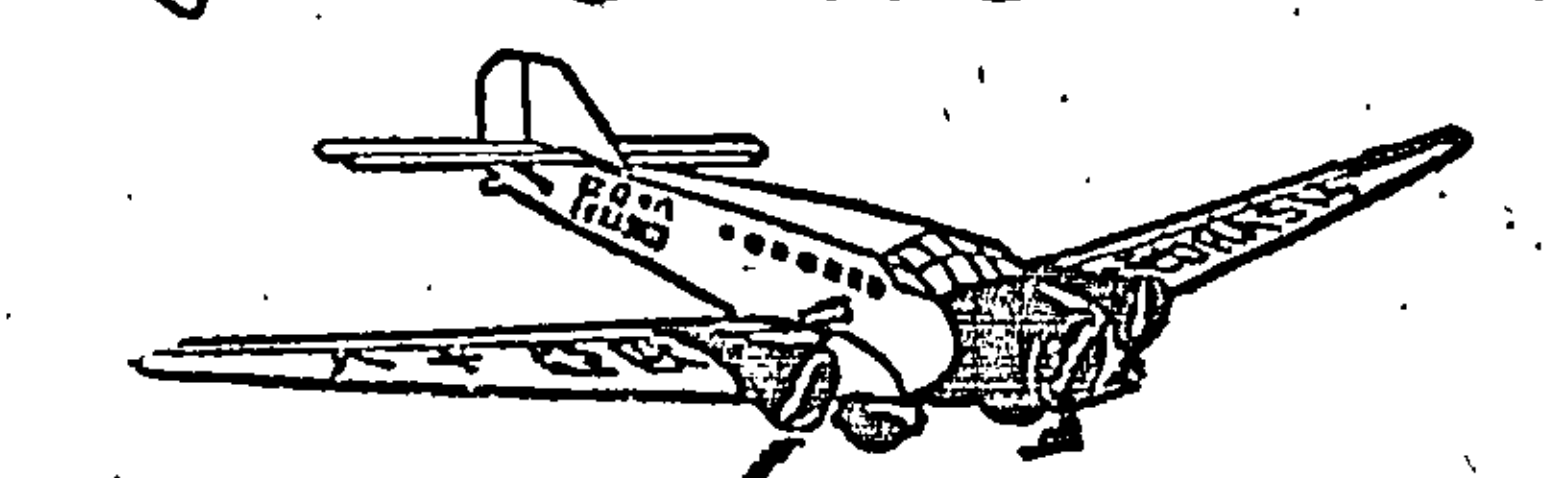
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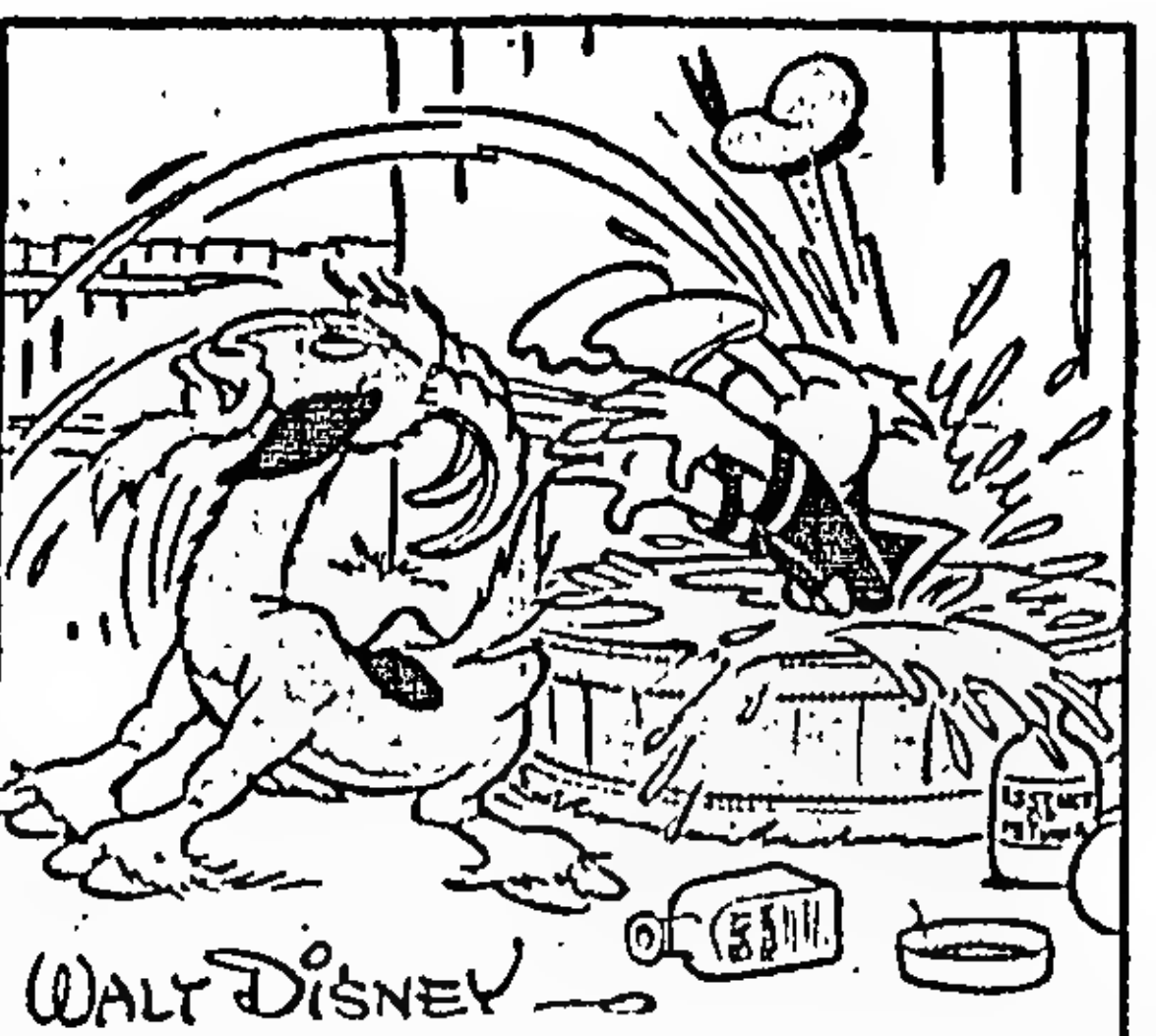
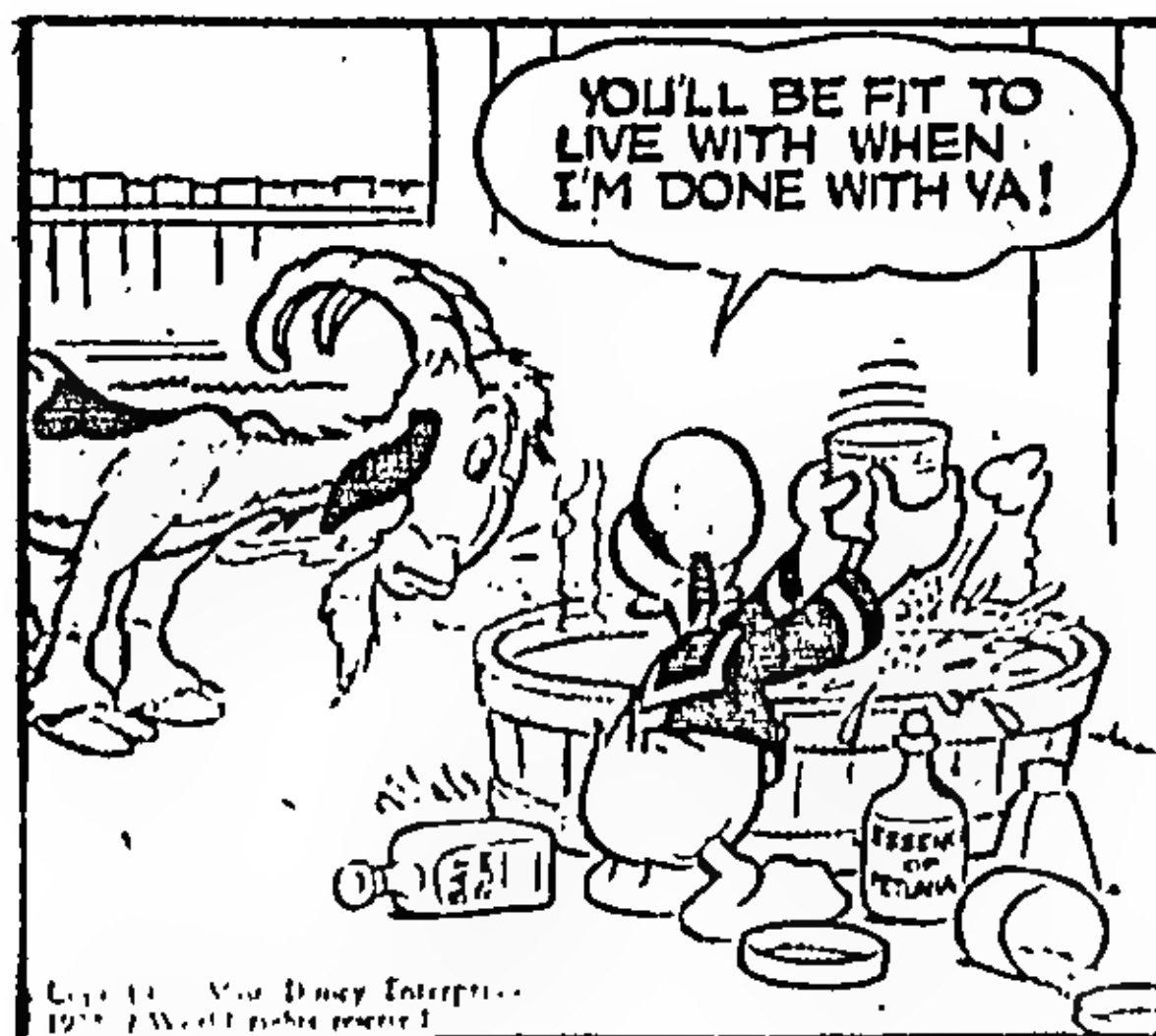
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But China Trouble Handicaps Far Eastern Activities

REFERENCE TO world conditions during the year and the effect they have had on the activities of the company, were mentioned by the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, who presided at the ordinary yearly meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., held at the offices of the company this morning.

Trade in the British Empire during the year, he said, was reasonably satisfactory, but in the Far East, commercial activity has been handicapped by the Sino-Japanese hostilities and, until a settlement of this unfortunate happening is reached, the existing state of uncertainty must continue.

Those present at the meeting were the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Chairman), Messrs. C. Blaker, J. Owen Hughes, K. S. Morrison, H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O. (Directors), A. W. Hughes (General Manager), and Messrs. J. W. Alabaster, H. J. Armstrong, T. H. G. Brayfield, C. B. Brown, J. D. Dany, R. A. Dastur, Gibson Farneslock, A. R. Fullerton, Leigh Garner, H. S. Lee, W. R. Mansfield, K. C. Mark, L. A. Osmund, J. Petrie, L. P. Ralph, V. R. V. Ribeiro, M. A. R. Souza, F. W. Stupleton, D. V. Stevenson (Shareholders).

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH
The Hon. Mr. Dodwell said: Gentlemen.—The Report, Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year 1938 were issued on the 30th March, and you will have had time to consider the figures. I propose therefore to follow the usual custom and take these, as well as the Auditors' Report, as read.

At our last Meeting you were informed that Mr. M. T. Johnson had resigned his seat on your Board and was proceeding on Home leave. Later in the year, information was received that Mr. Johnson would remain at Home.

Mr. Johnson has been one of your Directors for the past three years and was Chairman of the Board in 1935 and 1936. His advice and guidance have been of the greatest benefit to the Society and I would like to record the regret the Directors feel that they will no longer have the benefit of his collaboration.

Before referring to our own affairs, I think it desirable to make a brief reference to world conditions during the year and the effect they have had on our activities. Nervous tension during 1937, due to the ever present fear of war, reached dangerous heights in the early part of 1938, and culminated in September in a crisis that brought Europe to the brink of war. Thereafter political and economic insecurity increased and capital that should have been used productively was turned over to the sterile business of producing weapons of destruction.

Wars in Spain and China continued throughout the year without cessation, and although the first mentioned has now terminated the latter continues with increasing destruction. These disturbing factors have necessarily had their influence on International trade and it is rather remarkable that the detrimental effects have not been greater than is apparent at the moment.

Trade in the British Empire during the year was reasonably satisfactory. In the early months there was a falling off that caused considerable anxiety, but a steadier condition developed and prevailed until the year closed. In America there were welcome signs of recovery towards the end of the year and it is sincerely to be hoped that these will develop sufficiently to re-establish the confidence of the investing public, for until this occurs it is difficult to feel assured that the Trade revival has a really solid foundation. The working of the Anglo-American and other Trade Agreements should provide a freer interchange of goods with benefit to many parts of the world.

FAR EAST TRADE AFFECTED
In the Far East, commercial activity has been handicapped by the Sino-Japanese hostilities and, until a settlement of this unfortunate happening is reached, the existing state of uncertainty must continue. Its effect upon the Society's business has been rather curious, for in some cases the fall in Exchange of the Chinese National Currency has had the effect of providing higher insurable values in National Dollars,



Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell

Company to avoid following this unprofitable practice. War Risk coverage presented many difficulties, and while premium derived under this heading served to swell income, the uncertainty of the future gave Underwriters cause for much anxiety.

In the Fire field it is anticipated that Underwriting during 1938 will have been satisfactory to the majority of Companies. Premium income in the United Kingdom and Australia was maintained, while the Loss experience was, if anything, somewhat better than in 1937. In America the advance in income in recent years slowed down somewhat, and in Canada there was some decrease on last year's figure.

I am pleased to say our own income in all sections shows an increase over the preceding year, and the results to date have been encouraging, profit being indicated from practically all fields.

Our Accident and General business has been well maintained and the attention that have called for so much attention in recent years now show a distinct improvement.

As regards the Revenue Accounts, you will see in the Marine section that the balance of the 1937 Account on 31st December, 1938, namely, £39,930.10.8, has been transferred to the credit of the Underwriting Suspense Account. This amount will not be sufficient to satisfy third and subsequent years' claims, but the Underwriting Suspense Account has a balance sufficient to meet additional claims which may arise.

While it is difficult to forecast the result of the 1938 Marine Account, the position at 31st December was a balance in hand of £482,791.14.0, representing 48.85% of the relative premium, and this can be regarded as satisfactory.

It should be mentioned here that the provision for Contributory Bonus which has heretofore appeared in the Profit and Loss Account, and which was deducted from the estimated cost of the net premium, I might add that the cost is estimated at somewhat less than last year.

In the Fire Revenue Account, you will note the transfer of £70,077.6.7 to the Profit and Loss Account and the balance in hand of £1,127,316.4, representing 48.85% of the relative premium, and this can be regarded as satisfactory.

An adjustment on the other side of the ledger is the decision to put The Far Eastern Insurance Co. Ltd. into Voluntary Liquidation. This Company, a subsidiary of The Yangtze Insurance Association, has never been really active and its continuation was the cause of unnecessary labour and expense.

In my remarks last year I referred to Claims paid in connection with our Guarantee business, and stated that negotiations for a readjustment of the matter were in progress. Unfortunately, it has not been possible to reach an agreement and the points at issue will have to be referred to the Court for a decision.

UNDERWRITING
I now turn to the Underwriting. The normal difficulties of this business have been accentuated during 1938 by the need for increased care in selection due to the hazards inseparable from an involved international political situation.

In the Marine market the London Agreement, of 1937 which provided for a reduction in rates was supplemented in 1938 by a further Agreement under which rates that had brought bad results in the past would pay a further increase. The additional premium required under these Agreements will in some measure offset the increased cost of re-insurance and the heavy casualties the Hull market has had to face during recent years.

Cargo results show an improving tendency although rates are at a low level and the practice continues of including extraneous risks in Policies without adequate compensation. It is regrettable that the competitive factor makes it impossible for any one

Canton Fire And British Insurance Companies Meeting

THE ORDINARY yearly meeting of the China Fire Insurance Company, Ltd., was also held at the offices of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., this morning. The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Chairman), Messrs. C. Blaker, J. Owen Hughes, K. S. Morrison, H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O. (Directors), and Mr. A. W. Hughes, (General Manager), were present besides shareholders.

The Hon. Mr. Dodwell said: I propose with your permission to take the Report, Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet as read.

As you will have observed, the balance at credit of the 1937 Marine Account amounting to \$65,301.31 has been transferred to the Reserve for

Outstanding Losses. It is not expected that this sum will be sufficient to meet third and fourth year losses, but the amount of the Fund is ample for all requirements.

Satisfactory balances of \$113,085.88 and \$18,189.58 have been transferred from the Fire and Accident & General Accounts respectively to the Profit & Loss Account.

Turning to the Balance Sheet, the fall in market values of gilt-edged securities and the decline in the Exchange value of the Chinese National dollar have not adversely affected the Exchange & Investment Fluctuation Account to the extent that might have been expected, while the interest earnings as they appear in the Profit & Loss Account are practically the same as in 1937.

The decline in the Reserve for Outstanding Losses reflects the recent unsatisfactory condition of the Marine market.

Your Directors recommend a dividend of 12%, per share and a Bonus dividend of 5%, being the same as last year.

With these remarks I beg to propose the adoption of the Report, Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet as presented.

RE-ELECTIONS
Their adoption was carried unanimously after being seconded by Mr. Leigh Garner.

Mr. H. V. Wilkinson and the Hon. Mr. Dodwell were re-elected to the Board of Directors on the proposal of Mr. A. J. Palmer, seconded by Mr. L. A. Osmund.

On the proposal of Mr. W. R. Mansfield, seconded by Mr. F. H. Farne, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-elected Auditors.

British Traders' Insurance Co.
The British Traders' Insurance Company, Ltd., also held its ordinary yearly meeting at the offices of the Union Insurance Society of Canton this morning. Present were the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Chairman), Messrs. C. Blaker, J. Owen Hughes, K. S. Morrison, H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O. (Directors), Mr. A. W. Hughes (General Manager), and shareholders.

The Hon. Mr. Dodwell said: The Report, Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet have been in your hands for some time, and I propose with your permission to follow the usual procedure and take them as read.

You will have observed that the balance of the 1937 Marine Account amounting to £8,094.12.10 has been transferred to the Reserve for Outstanding Losses. It is expected that third and fourth year settlements will exceed that sum but the amount standing to the credit of this Reserve is more than sufficient to meet all demands that may be made upon it.

From the Fire and Accident and General Revenue Accounts £14,016.9.1 and £2,254.15.4 respectively have been transferred to the Profit and Loss Account. After several years of very difficult trading it is satisfactory to report that a profit has been made in the Accident and General field, while the results from Fire business continued to be good.

Turning to the Balance Sheet, I would explain that the decline in the amount standing to the credit of the Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account is due to depreciation in the quoted prices of gilt-edged securities and the decline in the sterling value of the Chinese National dollar. It is noteworthy, however, that interest earnings as they appear in the Profit and Loss Account show an increase over those for 1937.

The Reserve for Outstanding Losses is also down for the reason that settlements in respect of earlier years have been unusually heavy.

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12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Derek Oldham (Tenor) and the Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.

You Will Remember Vienna (Hammerstein and Romberg)....

Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orch.

Under The Lilac Bough ('Lilac Time'—Rose-Clutnam)....

Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orchestra and Male Chorus: Ball At The Savoy....

Selection (Chorus).... Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice.

1.0 Time and Weather.

1.03 Cesar Frank—Sonata In A Major.

Alfred Cortot (Piano) and Jacques Thibaud (Violin).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Dance Music.

Blues—Barbary Coast Blues; Rumba—Antigua.... Joe Daniels and His Hot Shots in "Drumsticks".

Fox-Trots—You Couldn't Be Cuter (Film "Joy of Living"); Just Let Me Look At You (Film "Joy of Living").

...Bert Block and His Bell Music; Tangos—Retinitis; Lorenzo.... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro; Fox-Trots—Moonlight In Walkie; It's The Little Things That Count....

Jan Carver and His Orchestra; Fox-Trots—I'm Sending Your Letters; I'm Sorry I Didn't Say "I'm Sorry".

The Organ, The Dance Band and Me (Piano).

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong-Kong Hotel.

(a) "High Society"; (b) There'll come a time; (c) Waters of Minnetonka; (d) A Song of Old Hawaii.

6.14 Record: Sweet Sue, Just You (Harris and Young); Poor Butterfly (Golden and Hubbell).... The Dixie Devils with Vocal Chorus.

6.21 (a) Ride Tenderfoot Ride; (b) There's a Brand New Picture; (c) White Lie; (d) Let's get burning; (e) Mayfair Merry-go-round.

6.35 Records: Let's Put Some People To Work (Goodhart, Hoffman); I'm Still Dreaming (from "When Knights were Bold").... Jack Buchanan (Vocal) with Orchestra; Jan Klepura Film Melodies.... Fred Stein at the Piano.

6.44 (a) Tell me with your Kisses; (b) It's a Lonely Trail; (c) Feelin' no Pain; (d) Mahubay.

7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Kalmor Pal (Vocal) with Magyar Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.

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3.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

3.03 Albert Sandler Trio.

Rustle Of Spring (Sinding-Op. 32, No. 3); Dusty Violin (Vernon and Brooke); Sky Serenade (Scott Wood); Victor Herbert Melodies.

3.15 Studio—Recital by Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor) with E. O'Neil Shaw at the Piano.

1. Caro mio, ben (Giordani); 2. M'appari from "Marta" (Fetow); 3. Cinghia, cinghia (Fasolo); 4. Il segno ("Manon"—Massenet); 5. De miei bollenti spiriti ("La Traviata"—Verdi); 6. Principessa (Padilla); 7. Grandadina (Alvarez); 8. Farolito (Unknown).

3.45 Studio—"Spelling Bee"—4: English Schools v. Scottish Schools.

3.55 London Relay—The News.

3.58 London Relay—"More Food for Thought".

Short talks on matters of topical interest.

0.45 London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

0.50 B.B.C. Recording—"The Heart of England".

A programme from the Midlands arranged and produced by Robin Whitwell.

10.20 A programme of English Music.

Chaconne (Purcell, 1658-1695)

American Society of Ancient Instruments directed by Ben Stadi; Air And Hornpipe (Purcell).... Edith Fenville (Flute) with Ronald Revel at the Piano; My Lovely Galin (Monro).... Mrs. Maryska (Soprano) with Piano accompaniment; Ivor Newton; Nocturne In A Flat Major, No. 3 (John Field 1782-1837).... Frank Merriell (Piano); Four Jolly Sailors (from "A Princess of Kensington").... Francis Russell, Parry Jones, Raymond Newell and Harry Dearth (Quartette) with Piano; Three English Dances, (Quilter); New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by J. Ainslie Murray; Fill A Glass With Golden Wine (Quilter).... Robert Elsdell (Tenor) with Piano; "Nell Gwyn Dance" (Edward German); 1. Country Dance; 2. Ecstasial Dance; 3. Merry-makers' Dance.... Jack Hyton and His Orchestra.

11.0 Close down.

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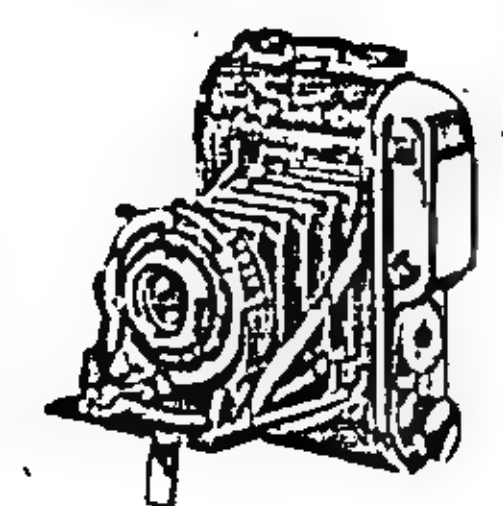
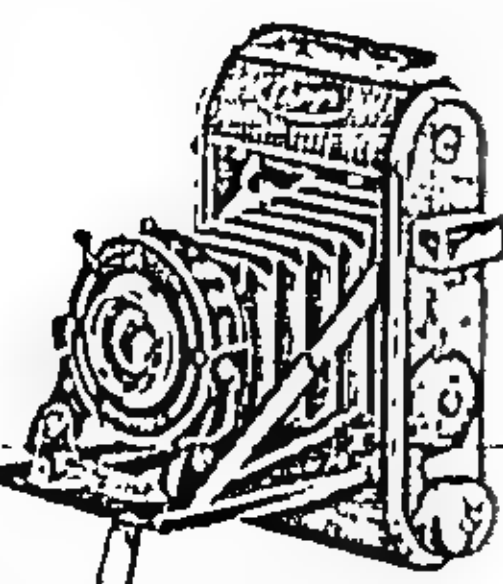
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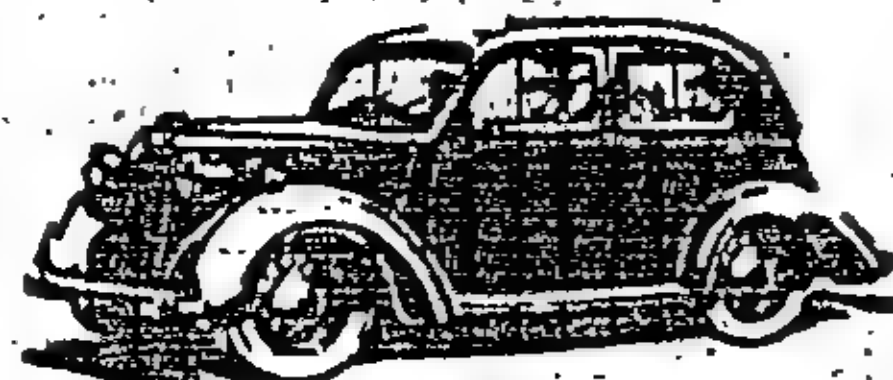
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Birthday

HERR HITLER was fifty yesterday.

There is another man who used to celebrate his birthdays in Berlin with great pomp and glory—the mighty ruler of a mighty nation.

But for twenty years he has been spending them in lonely exile in Doorn, forgotten by the world.

The man who plunged the world into war has learned his lesson.

Foreign papers, please copy.

Spain

THE report goes that Mussolini will withdraw his troops from Spain on May 15, after three postponements. We do not know yet whether there is to be another postponement.

But in any case, Mussolini does not hold all the cards in Spain. There are several other factors in the situation to be considered.

In France there are Spanish Republican soldiers all dressed up and with nowhere to go. It is true that they have no arms, no ammunition, no airplanes, no tanks, no big guns. But neither did France when he started that civil war, and the merchants of death can always provide them.

Again, Italy is a long way from Spain. Her line of communication runs past 250 British and French warships that have not been massed for nothing.

And Germany is a long, long way from Spain, too. Just as far from Spain as France was from Czechoslovakia last month.

Pact

"WE ARE resolved that the method of consultation shall be the method adopted to deal with any questions that may concern our two countries, and we are determined to continue our efforts to remove possible sources of differences and thus to contribute to assure the peace of Europe."

That is a little pledge made by Signor Mussolini and Mr. Neville Chamberlain last October. Both countries claim that they adhere to that agreement.

It may prove the reason why there will be no war in Europe.

JERUSALEM, Apr. 20.—A Jewish supernumerary policeman was killed, and five injured when a lorry, in which they were travelling, struck a land mine near a town west of Jerusalem to-day.—Reuter.

What the women of are saying..

by
MARY FERGUSON

THEY can't scare women with any of their talk about what might happen in the future.

How do I know? It's simple. I have been listening to what women are saying.

First let us listen-in to women in the North.

They are humble women. Some of them are trying to make a good life for their families on small weekly incomes.

But they are proud and brave women, too, and they get a good laugh when they read about the jitterbugs. For their part they have never met one. Quite innocently they imagine that all the jitterbugs live in London.

That isn't fair, of course, but can you blame them when they don't know Londoners personally?

AFTER seven years in London with only a few flying visits to Scotland and the North of England I went up to Lancashire and Yorkshire recently.

Mrs. Amy Brown, who runs a small hat shop in a Lancashire town, was full of a grand philosophy about life.

"I think all the frightening talk that is going on at present is a terrible thing," she said, as she marked down a new season's hat from 8s. 11d. to 6s. 11d.

"I may as well get rid of it even at a cut price," she explained, "as keep it till it's out of fashion. Hats aren't selling as well these days. Folks seem to be spending their spare cash on tins of condensed milk and tins of soup and sardines just in case."

Mrs. Brown laughed cheerfully. "Well, I suppose that's a good thing. It means more food in the country stores in private hands instead of being concentrated in huge central depots, but it makes business a bit lop-sided if you know what I mean."

Mrs. Brown snapped shut her till. She had taken exactly twelve and tenpence for the day's trading, which amounted to three hats sold.

"What I say," she said with

vigour, "is that if folks would only start thinking about cheerful things and talking brightly about the future it would be a lot better for us all."

IN Scotland it takes a big national event to switch a woman's thoughts off spring cleaning at this time of year.

My mother, who lives in Glasgow, writes the local gossip in her weekly letters to me.

"We were just saying the other day that when the spring comes everybody will feel much brighter. Down our street most of the neighbours have begun spring cleaning and Mrs. McGowan was asking me if I was arranging my spare room as a dormitory for children in case there was another crisis."

"She wanted me to buy single beds for the children, for she said that is what she is doing. Do you think I should? I don't think we should be so sure there is going to be another crisis. Maybe the dictators and people who cause all the trouble will feel a bit more cheerful when the brighter weather comes."

"They are saying here that they wish it were possible to have an exhibition like the Bellahouston Park exhibition every year. It was nice hearing all the foreigners talking in their own languages. I don't know anybody who is feeling really nervous about things, but they are sorry that nothing is being done for the unemployed."

"We get nice young men round the door every day trying to sell buttons and bootlaces. I think it is a shame so little is being done for them."

"Do you think Mr. Chamberlain is a good man? Sometimes I think he is and then other times I feel that I distrust him."

MRS. A. and Mrs. B. are total strangers to me. They live in Buckinghamshire, and play golf on good days and bridge on dull days.

We travelled up to town in the same carriage the other day, and they were saying that the new fashions are too funny for words, because what woman in her senses wants to walk about looking as

though her petticoat was hanging down. They were quite worried about it. Fashions and the servant problem seemed to have them tickled.

Mrs. A. looked about 55. She was stout and cheerful. "My husband was telling me that somebody wants men to give their wives wages, and he says if that becomes law he will give me two pounds a week."

"I must find out who these women are and write to them. It's a ridiculous idea. I didn't get married to get a job, and anyway, it would be awful if we had to take set wages every week."

Mrs. B. laughed, and tucked her fur closer round her neck.

"I think wages for wives are necessary," she had told Mr. B. "because some men don't give their wives any definite amount each week, and that makes life unendurable for the women who don't know where the money is coming from to pay the food bills, the rent and the light."

My daughter was telling me all about it the other day. Dr. Edith Summerskill, you know the woman doctor who is a Labour M.P., was telling her that some men earning small wages keep most of the money to themselves, and their wives live in a state of constant

To-day's Thought
THE best counsel is that of
a woman.
—CALDERON.



"I know, because I have been listening to them."

that they won't get any money at all some weeks. "It's all right for women like us to say we don't want wages."

GOING back to the Lancashire women and what they are saying, I remember being struck by their absorption in the future and chances of work for their children.

A friend of Grace Fields in Rochdale was saying, "We've got to think about the future of the young folks. I wish something could be done to get them into jobs with some future in them."

"You know they are losing heart up here, for the youngsters are saying they want to go away to the Southern towns where the new factories are opening up."

"It would be a good thing if the Government would start some of their new factories up here and give the young ones a chance to get work near their own homes."

ONE of my neighbours was saying that for some reason or other she couldn't be bothered to read romances any more.

"I wish some novelist would write a novel about the life we are living to-day in houses in small country towns and in the suburbs," she said. "So far as I can see nobody is bothering to make a story about us. I want to read about a woman like myself who is alone all day doing the housework, planning how to make a few pounds cover a lot of expenses."

Romantic love stuff seems so silly just now when we are all planning a new type of future for ourselves and our children."

Normally my neighbour is not a serious woman. She is the bustling, busy type of housewife. To-day she talks seriously, although quite cheerfully, about the fact that a steady change is coming over the lives of the people in this country. "We shall have some tremendous decisions to make quite soon," she said to me, "and I do hope we are wise and make good decisions."

When asked what kind of decisions she replied: "Oh, you know what I mean. We must stop being selfish and thinking only in terms of our own families. We must think in terms of nations."

LIVING in Tiber-street, Tillingham, Mrs. Trenchard is saying to her children: "That's a nice steel shelter, isn't it? Just think what fun you can have in it in the summer time if we make it a summer-house, and put some flowers in it. We can make it comfortable with some chairs and maybe a table."

AND now, what am I saying?

I said to the B.B.C. that I would like to give a talk about the way in which Lancashire folks are facing up to the bad times they are having.

I said I could give a bright, hopeful talk, showing that although the people up there are living in tragic times so far as the staple industry, cotton, is concerned, yet they are remaining proud, industrious and wonderfully brave. The B.B.C. thought such a talk wouldn't be cheerful enough. You see they don't know what women are saying.

A WAR OF WORDS

A DEADLY war is being fought. It has already achieved great victories from engulfing much material wealth and from conquering millions of new subjects for the victors this war is enslaving and enfeebling the minds and the will power of hundreds of millions of men and women.

It is a war in which not a single shot has been fired; in which not a single bomb has been dropped. It is a war of words.

Some time back Sir Samuel Hoare launched a powerful broadside against those who have brought this form of warfare to a high art, who have applied it with relentless energy and unscrupulous determination, and have reaped from it well-nigh incredible successes.

The British Home Secretary countered that creeping barrage of propaganda which threatens to engulf many people—not excluding our own—in a creeping paralysis.

Resistance Broken

How has this state of affairs been brought about? It does exist; no one can deny that.

It is due simply and solely to sheer weight of words. Those words produce events. The Nazi conquests were achieved by the propaganda machine—by words. The troops simply marched in to take possession after the propagandists had broken down every obstacle and all resistance.

What we have seen in Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Memel, can also be seen in every corner of Europe and Africa which Herr Hitler declares by word of mouth and the written word must become part of the German Reich.

More important still, we can see it in France and Belgium, Denmark, and Switzerland, in every European nation, including our own. As Sir

This Creeping Barrage Of Propaganda

Samuel Hoare remarked, there are many people in Europe to-day who sit listening to all the hot music of the scene and alarm and who wait for the crash which they believe is to destroy us all. They have fallen under the creeping barrage of propaganda sent out day by day, week by week, month by month, from the totalitarian nations.

It Hits Both Ways

Take the problem which to-day torments the nights and days of millions of British men and women—the problem of aerial invasion.

Doubtless it may be right for responsible statesmen to warn us that we are no longer an island nation, that our frontiers are on the Rhine, that the aeroplane has modified the security we once found in a strong Navy.

The menace from the air is a very real menace. He would be a fool who despised it. But what we are apt to overlook is that it is a universal menace. It is not directed solely against France and Britain. The threat to Berlin is every whit as great as it is to Paris or London.

The peoples of the democracies are continually being told of the tremendous preparations for war in the totalitarian countries. They are also told that their own arrangements to counter these preparations are far from perfect, that there is tremendous leeway to make up.

That does not happen in Germany or in Italy. If there is a deficiency anywhere, the people of the dictator countries are kept in blissful

ignorance of it. They are told only the good things—and told ad nauseam. The speech of Hitler and Mussolini are poems of praise for what they have done. They are the boasts of what they are going to do. They are denunciations of the democracies. So with every newspaper article, every official broadcast, every speech, every official from Goebbels or Gayda down to the Mayor of the most remote town.

They glorify their own country and their own regime. They pour scorn and ridicule on France, Great Britain, and the United States, cleverly seizing upon every little fault or weakness and magnifying it before the eyes of their people.

If Hitler builds a motor highway across Germany not only all Germany knows it but also the whole world. But if the German railways have to curtail their services because of the poor condition of their rolling stock and the lack of replacements not one person in a thousand is made aware of the fact.

Such information is certainly no part of the "panegyrics" emanating from the Nazi propaganda machine. What is more, it is not broadcast by the democracies. Yet the dissemination of such information would counter much of the German propaganda, as would the facts about the scarcity of capital and of raw material in the Reich.

Counting Our Blessings

The Prime Minister has said that it was a good thing sometimes to "count your blessings." Anyone who did so in this country, he added, whether employer, worker, man, or woman, would find that there was very much to be grateful for in the conditions here as compared with the conditions in most other countries.

Never were truer words spoken.

Prayers For Peace

Pope's Urgent Appeal

ROME, Apr. 20. POPE Pius XII has instructed Cardinal Secretary Maglione to order that throughout the whole of May public prayers are to be held in all churches to intercede for the maintenance of peace.

The official organ of the Vatican, the "Osservatore Romano," publishes in Latin and Italian, the text of the Pope's letter to M. Maglione under the heading "The Holy Father proclaims a crusade of public prayers for peace."

In this letter to the Cardinal Secretary, the Holy Father opens by saying that he devoutly desires, and beseeches God that at last the souls of men have now turned towards the desire for justice and human service and that lasting and Christian peace may take a concrete form among all the nations and peoples, despite the deep concern that now prevails throughout the world.

Pope Pius calls not only upon all sons in Christ scattered over the whole earth, but also all nations and all Governments to preserve peace. The Pope cordially desires that during the month of May, sacred to the Virgin Mary, public prayers for peace will be offered in all churches.

In particular, he calls upon all children in the first bloom of life from whom still emanates innocence, affection and grace, to offer their prayers to Almighty God that a brotherly accord among the peoples will be established.

The hope is justified that if everywhere in the cities, villages and the most distant parts of the world pilgrims offer up their pleas to God that the nations, which at present divide the nations, will pass away, and after a settlement of the differences that now set nations against nations, happier times will dawn for the peoples of the earth.—Trans-Ocean.

Beatification Of Pope

Vatican City, Apr. 20. The Pope has given instructions to Cardinal Salotti to speed up the preliminary in connection with the beatification of Pope Pius X, and to submit a report on the subject at the earliest possible date.—Trans-Ocean.

HUNGARIANS SEE

Count Teleki, the Hungarian Premier, and Count Csanaky, the Foreign Minister, were received by Pope Pius XII to-day.

His Holiness recalled with especial pleasure his visit to Budapest last year and expressed fervent wishes for the moral and material welfare of Hungary.—Trans-Ocean.

Why Gneisenau

Is Late

LOST A PROPELLER BLADE

IT is revealed that the cause of the late arrival of the N.D.L. liner Gneisenau, which is due at 7 a.m. to-morrow, was the loss of a propeller blade before she reached Singapore. She should have reached Hongkong last Wednesday.

The speed of the Gneisenau, which is one of the fastest liners on the Eastern run, was reduced from 20 knots to 16½ knots by the mishap. She went into dry dock at Singapore, being the largest merchant ship ever to be docked there.

The Gneisenau carries a party of 11 reporters from leading German newspapers, headed by an official from the Foreign Office. The party is on a tour of the Far East and the United States and is expected to stay about a month in Japan.

The Gneisenau will sail for Hongkong at 7 a.m. to-morrow.

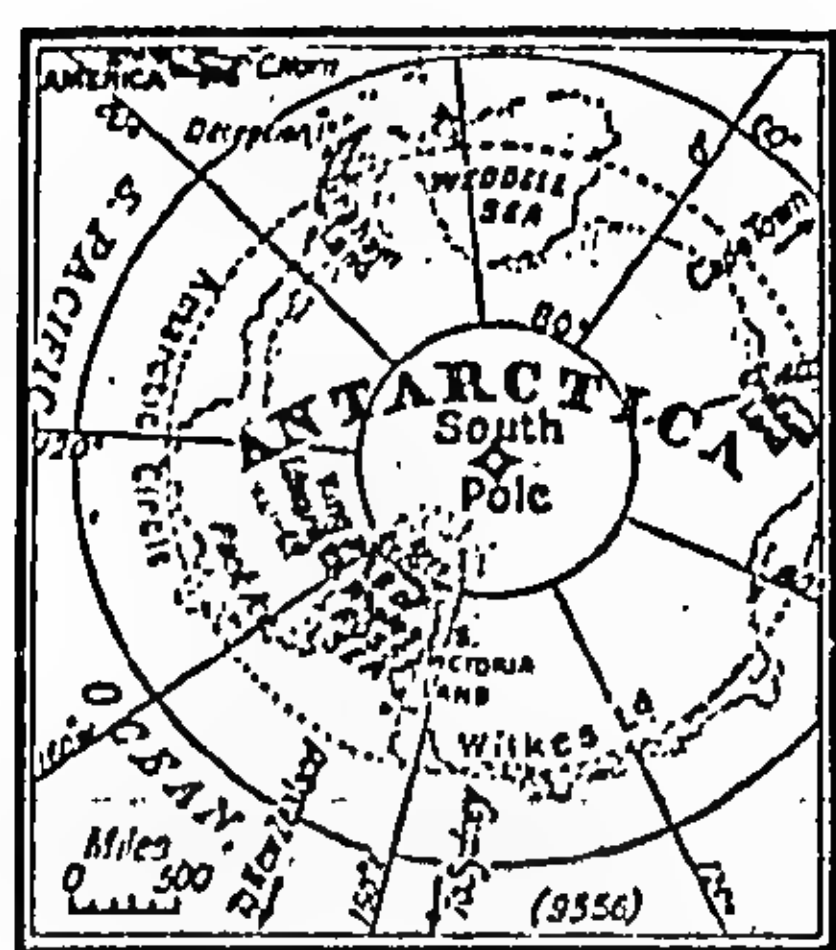
Mr. Eden Has Three-Fold Peace Plan

London, Apr. 20. Addressing an audience of 7,000 at Bridlington this evening, Mr. Anthony Eden advanced a threefold peace policy.

Firstly, it should be made plain that aggression had had its day; secondly, the restoration of confidence in international good faith by the creation of a peace front; thirdly, the maximum effort by Britain in every sphere, domestic and foreign, including the marshalling of all forces in wealth, man-power and industry.

Mr. Eden declared: "The world cannot continue staggering day to day under the constant threat of a universal catastrophe. We have got to devise and accept some system which will put a stop to brigandage, or all of us are going to suffer. Those who come after will suffer still more."—Reuter.

GUERRILLAS WRECKING TRAINS, COAL-MINES



Determining Antarctic Nationality

TOKYO, Apr. 21. THE State Department of the United States Government is planning to convene an international conference to determine the territorial claims to the Antarctic Continent, according to information received by the Japanese Foreign Office.

It is understood that the American Government is sending Rear-Admiral Byrd, the famous Antarctic explorer, to the Antarctic in the near future to carry out extensive inquiries into the results of past explorations by nationals of various countries.

Invited to the projected international party will be Japan, Australia, Great Britain, Germany, and Norway.

It is recalled in this connection that Germany recently announced annexation of an Antarctic area of 270,000 square miles as the result of four months of inquiries.

Lieutenant Shirase of the Japanese Army also participated in the Antarctic exploration in 1911 and Japan is also entering a claim for territory.—Domei.

Stock Market Strikes Better Tone

London, Apr. 20. The Stock Exchange showed all-round improvement following yesterday's speech by Viscount Halifax, and sentiment was further helped by Signor Mussolini's broadest remarks in the morning.

Gilt-edged holdings improved, while industrialists benefited with good dividend announcements, and Cable and Wireless strengthened on the March traffic index of 74.0 compared with 70.5 in February.

Kaffirs received local and Paris support, closing around the day's best price.

Among commodities, sugar early advanced on active covering of near positions, but later it eased owing to profit-taking. Wheat was a feature to-day provided by the sale of 50,000 tons to the United Kingdom, of which 25,000 tons were Canadian, 15,000 Australian, and 10,000 Argentine.

Wall Street was firm.—Reuter Special.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday, says:

A further large parcel of H.K. Banks were placed at \$1,355, Kowloon Wharves came to business at \$59, Lands at \$32 3/4, Trams at \$15.00, and Ferries at the reduced rate of \$55. Enquiries filtering into the market are over a slightly broader area, but buyers and sellers prices are at the present rather too divergent to lead to any good volume of trading.

Buyers
Douglas 775
H.K. Steamboats 112
H.K. & K. Wharves 59
H.K. & S. Hotels 55
H.K. Lands 32
H.K. Tramways 110.53
H.K. Electric 53 1/2
Canton Ice 1
Entertainments 56.40
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 3 1/2 prem.
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Union Insurance 400
Telephones (Ord.) 22 1/4
Sales
Hongkong Bank 11.353

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INTERESTING PROGRAMME FOR THIRD EXTRA MEET

FIRST CLASSIC RACE ARRANGED SINCE CARNIVAL ST. GEORGE'S PLATE DRAWS GOOD FIELD

(By "Capt. Foster")

St. George's Plate, the first classic handicap of the season since the Annual Carnival, and eight other events, feature the programme of the Third Extra Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club to be held to-morrow at Happy Valley. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

Discovery Bay To Concede A Heavy Weight

The curtain raiser will be the St. Kilda Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a short trip of six furlongs and it looks that we shall see a good racing in the opening chorus owing to the fact that anything may happen. A comparison of the weights of those who ran in the Cabramatta Handicap (over a mile 171 yards) and what they are set to carry in this event will undoubtedly prove interesting:

Discovery Bay (1st)	Cabramatta Handicap	St. Kilda Handicap	Difference of weights
140 lbs.	140 lbs.	147 lbs.	plus 7 lbs.
A Great Time (2nd)	142 "	142 "	minus "
Macquarie River (3rd)	141 "	140 "	minus 1 "
Stratherrick (4th)	141 "	140 "	minus 1 "
Annabella	140 "	138 "	minus 2 "
Cape York	140 "	135 "	minus 5 "
Dick Turpin	140 "	135 "	minus 5 "
Murray River	140 "	135 "	minus 5 "
Perfect Day	140 "	135 "	minus 5 "
Twilight Star	140 "	135 "	minus 5 "
Violet Queen	140 "	135 "	minus 5 "
Zodiac	140 "	135 "	minus 5 "
Bredon	140 "	135 "	minus 5 "
Roddy	140 "	135 "	minus 5 "

It will be seen that for a beating of a length, the winner, Discovery Bay, has been asked to concede 7 lbs. to A Great Time while Macquarie River, who finished behind the latter by a short head, has a pull of 8 lbs. The form book shows that A Great Time and Macquarie River have faster legs in a sprint than over a distance run and in the circumstances Discovery Bay has a stiff proposition. Bredon, after her successful run in the Flemington Plate, beating A Great Time by three lengths will be looked after by Mr. Proulx and it looks that the combination is hard to beat. We must not overlook the fact that Discovery Bay has been kindly treated with a difference of 11 lbs. against Discovery Bay and the mare has not now the habit of dropping her anchor in the home stretch. Cape York is well on on the handicap, but a lot depends upon his meeting. Violet Queen does not appear to be extremely fit, but the lady is a good outsider. Zodiac is also good over this distance.

St. George's Plate Prospects

Great interest has been taken in the training of China ponies, bona fide griffins of this season, for the St. George's Plate over the championship course owing to the fact that the conditions of the race have earned the entry of Navylight and Rose Elect. Since the inception of the race in 1931, it has always been a handicap event for griffins of the current season with no restriction, but last year the Stewards imposed a ban on ponies classified "A" class and it was no doubt done to prevent a "walk-over" affair either by Silky-light or Desert Chief. The intention was good, but the absence of Confusion Bay and Expression Time gave Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Cameronian an easy passage in the St. George's Plate.

It was, however, one of the fastest runs performed by a griffin and it may be of interest to know that the difference of minutes and seconds between the first winner since the inception and Cameronian was 11.7 seconds. Here are the times of winners and the track figures:

1931 L. Dunbar's Fortune Bay	2.29.3/5
1932 Samson's Princess Hill	2.22.4/5
1933 Mrs. Gore's Trenbridge	2.35.2/5
1934 A. M. L. Soares' Prima Donna	2.32.4/5
1935 Dynasty's King's Jubilee	2.38.3/5
1936 Eu Tong-sen's Rose-Queen	2.35.1/5
1937 Harbrad's Royal Scot	2.30.3/5
1938 Eu Tong-sen's Cameronian	2.28.2/5

(* Dead Heat)

It will be seen that when Fortune Bay annexed the first class (a cup presented by the President of St. George's Society) the circuit of 1 1/4 miles was covered in 2.29.3/5 whereas last year Cameronian took 2.28.2/5.

Rob Roy Fancied For This Race

A good race should be seen in the Canton Handicap (first section) for "B" class China ponies over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in. It will be recalled that in the Hongkong Bay Handicap (first section) run at the Easter session Rob Roy lost the race to Moonlight View by a short head after a few minutes of deliberation by the judges and that win has cost the latter just one pound of the lead. Rob Roy seems to be at the peak of his form and I fancy the little for this event. But I am afraid of Red Feather who may turn the tables. New Star looks dangerous at only 151 lbs.

Put Your Money On Hectic View

In the fourth event, the Fatsian Handicap (first section) for China ponies "C" class over six furlongs, Hectic View, who holds the post of honour, has a better chance here than in the previous race, for the stallion has shown his prowess in the Mirs Bay Stakes as a speedy roadster. King Kong, who let the supporters down very badly but ran a good second behind Jennifer in the Kellett Handicap on Easter Monday, has been allotted only 151 lbs. and the pony is almost on the same level with Musketeer, who annexed the Valley Stakes in 1.28.3/5. The last named is certainly a speedy merchant over six furlongs and with a good rider in the saddle the pony must be in the limelight. Of Mr. Eu's outfit it appears to me that Rose Emily will be Mr. Encarnacao's mount while Rose Jane will be piloted by Mr. Foy. A jockey will have to be found for Rose Evelyn, but in any case the first "Rose" is dangerous for the mare was only half a length behind King Kong in the Kellett Handicap. Blue Diamond is nicely weighted. Of all the ponies mentioned Hectic View is the one to have your money on.

HOBART STAKES

An interesting scramble will be seen in the Hobart Stakes for Australian subscription ponies of this season that have won more than 500 in stakes and the sprint is from the 1 1/2 mile post. Among the list of 12 entries I cannot see anything to trouble Ruby Star, provided of course he should be on the move at the release of the barrier. I am inclined to believe that Ruby Star does not like the tape business. As a substitute I recommend Bruno with Mr. Proulx in the saddle and Hellum, the property of Mr. Reidy.

A. J. P. Heard	2.29.3/5
F. M. L. Soares	2.22.4/5
A. J. P. Heard	2.35.2/5
G. A. Harriman	2.32.4/5
L. G. Frost	2.38.3/5
P. Botelho	2.35.1/5
G. A. Harriman	2.30.3/5
Y. T. Fung	2.28.2/5
C. Encarnacao	2.28.2/5

In 1931 the state of the going was far from satisfactory, but one must admit that we have now a better class of China ponies and there is reason to expect a good fight for



THE LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.—The winner, Squadron Castle, who started at 40 to 1, with his owner, Mr. S. H. Oxenham, a bookmaker. The horse was fourth in last year's race, and cost his present owner only 300 guineas.

FINE RACE MAY BE EXPECTED

The first leg of the daily double is on the Broken Hill Handicap for Australian youngsters of this season and the run is from the two mile post, once round and in. All the good 'uns with the exception of Candlelight have been entered and we are sure to see a fine race. This class of ponies has always provided us with plenty of thrills and it appears to me that the contest is very open. However, Triumph Day with Mr. B. L. Tao up (the winner of the Roly-Hill Derby) is at the top of the tree with 155 lbs. to carry. In fact we cannot find him to be any where else, and he has to be at his best to stem the challenge of Chiltern (Mr. Encarnacao), Cocklehol (Mr. Needa), Happy Landings (Mr. Davis) and Rivulet (Mr. Pih). I am not under-rating others such as Devonian (Mr. Black), National Victory (Mr. Channon), Rising Star (Mr. S. W. Foy), Sydney Lad and Victory Day as "NBG," but I certainly cannot nominate a pony which I do not like. I may be wrong, but Cocklehol, in my estimation, likes this jaunt, which is a little over the mile course and the chestnut candidate from the John Peel stable is looking extremely well. He is well keyed and I like him. Chiltern is dangerous and so is Happy Landings. Rivulet is not to be despised.

Gladiator Should Be Dangerous

With a bit of blue sky Gladiator should register his first win for the new lady owner, Mrs. A. E. Graett, in the Canton Handicap (second section) over a course from the two mile post, once round and in. Gladiator was last seen ridden by Mr. Hearn in the Hongkong Bay Handicap, but as the jockey was unseated by Whalsey in the previous event, Mr. Tao filled the gap. The latter was a new passenger and in the circumstances it appeared to me that the combination did not get going. At any rate he ran a good race, dead-heating Avon for second place and the pony will again be ridden by the same jockey. Potentate, who was fourth in the same event, was late in coming round the bend and should the Shanghai crack jockey be up on the muck to-morrow, Mr. Eu's candidate is dangerous to turn the scale. Boolah Bay, Jobey, and Tampa Bay are not bad for big money.

to-morrow's main contest. The event has attracted no less than 15 entries against a handful of last year. Mr. Eu Tong-sen, who captured the cup last season, has nominated Blue Express and Rose Emily, the best being Blue Express to be ridden by Mr. Encarnacao. Sir Victor Sassoon has a couple going. Eve of Harvest has proved to be the best minion over a distance. Of the two belonging to Mr. Li Lan-nan, Hectic View and Powerful View are not stayers and the same remarks can be applied to Galaxy and Jennifer. There is no loophole in the adjustment of the poundage between Blue Express, Conquering Time, Eve of Harvest and Hyndford Bridge, but I nominate Eve of Harvest to win to be followed by Conquering Time and Hyndford Bridge.

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The following teams have been specially selected to win in the Home Football programme to-morrow:

Home Winners.

Chelsea
Coventry
Luton
Newcastle
Sheffield U.
Tottenham
West Bromwich
Chester
Oldham

Optional Selections

Bristol R.
Barnsley
Bradford
Celtic

Easy Passage For Rose-Queen

With Scenic View (the winner of Kellett Handicap-second section) out of the way, Rose-Queen should have an easy passage in the Fatsian Handicap (second section) for "C" class China ponies over six furlongs. The second leg of the daily double is on this event and it is earnestly hoped that the mare will not disappoint her lovers. Amberley will be looked after by Mr. Wei while Blaire will have the same jockey in Mr. Channon. The latter can be trusted to give you a good run for the money, provided of course that the going is firm. Plintarings does not require any formal introduction as the chestnut gelding has cost the public quite a good sum of money. I wonder whether his sojourn in Fanning during the Winter has turned him into another animal?

More Nominations Than Jockeys

A fine novice event has been framed by the racing Stewards. It has presented a fascinating problem to the owners to find jockeys, for there are 23 nominations in the Kongmun Stakes over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in. The following is a list of probable starters and jockeys: Black Diamond, Mr. Ito Pak-ming, Chancoc, Mr. Coppin, National Service, Mr. W. K. Yuen, Old Fashioned, Mr. O. Sadick, Patriotic Day, Mr. Wood, Some Hope, Mr. K. I. Ip, Talkative, Mr. C. F. Chiu, Thanksgiving Day, Mr. K. F. Chiu, The Biscuit, Mr. Lo G. Hin, The Spirit of St. Louis, Mr. B. W. Lee, True Love, Mr. S. W. Cooper. No jockeys have yet been found for Argon, Ascot Vale, Fairchild, Gog, Heddon, King's Envoy, Kut Cheung, Molator, Opening Balsman, and Roco Day. My fancy is Some Hope, Gallant Marshal and National Service, and I expect to see them cross the wire in that order.

Doncaster Rovers Beaten At Home

London, Apr. 20. In the northern section of the Third Division of the English Football League, Doncaster Rovers, playing at home, were defeated by Bradford City by two goals to one to-day—Reuter.

Here And There With "Abe"

Some Facts About 'Two-Ton' Tony Galento

AS has already been announced, Tony Galento, the busy beer-drinking, cigar-smoking, bar-tender from New Jersey, is considered as the world's leading heavyweight contender for the championship held by dusky Joe Louis, and will meet the negro in a title bout at the Yankee Stadium on June 21. The New York State Athletic Commission recently sanctioned the fight on condition that Galento appeared before a group of Commission doctors for a thorough physical examination, but Galento had no difficulty at all in passing this test. So arrangements are going ahead for this fight; and meanwhile Joe Louis staked his title against 36-year-old Jack Roper on April 10, winning in the first round. Galento undoubtedly will be the biggest proposition for Louis since he knocked out Schmeling. The New Jersey bar-tender, who has been fighting for some 12 years but failed to achieve other than local recognition until he began posing for publicity pictures along with beer steins and black cigars, has been angling for a bout with Louis for many months. In his campaign to get a fight with the champion, he has often referred

to Joe Louis as "that big bum," thus bringing upon him the wrath of some of the more sober followers of the fight game in the United States.

Had Pneumonia

He was considered well on the way to a bout with Louis last summer, but a siege of pneumonia, which almost cost him his life, laid him low, and so weakened him that it was only comparatively recently that he was able to resume fighting. Since returning to the ring, he has knocked out a number of second rate heavyweights in jig time, although his performances were not always too satisfactory, as he incurred the displeasures of two States—Michigan and Illinois—and was banned from further appearances there. Galento, nicknamed "Two-ton" because of his immense size, was born in Orange, New Jersey, on March 12, 1910. To-day, his tavern, where he serves behind the bar and trains on large quantities of beer, is situated only a few minutes' walk from the house where he was born. Starting as an amateur Galento was so good and possessed such a devastating wallop that he was urged to turn professional—as much for the sake of his purse as the safety of the boys whom he used to knock around. Since making the step, Galento has scored knock-outs over Nello Brown, Lorenzo Pock, Al Etorre, LeRoy Haynes, Harry Thomas, Nathan Mann and Otis Thomas. In the summer of 1938, just before he was scheduled to fight his most important contest, with John Henry Lewis in Philadelphia, pneumonia laid him low. He waged a terrific battle with death, and won; and was scarcely pronounced out of danger than he was back in the ring again.

Lays Off Liquor

APPEARING in yesterday's issue was an article referring to Galento's forthcoming fight with Joe Louis. One of the conditions apparently is that Galento has to remain abstemious until he has met Louis; otherwise the fight is "off." The authorities, after approving the match, are now afraid that the bartender may not be in a fit condition by the time he meets the champion, and have put him in moral chains. As the writer of the article guesses, put it, the authorities are "turning heavyweight boxing into a subject for a comic strip."

Cricket Politicians

A month before the start of the cricket season the politicians of the game had their innings at Lord's when the Board of Control met to make arrangements for this summer's Tests and the Advisory Committee to discuss matters of county importance. The first job of the Board was to appoint selectors, and, as anticipated, they decided on Percy Perrin as chairman in succession to Sir Pelham Warner. Perrin, who has, as selector, helped to build up a strong England side, was a great batsman in his time and is now a splendid judge of a player.

Gussain Singh (Kumaons), Duda Ram (Kumaons), M. H. Hassan (Radio) and M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.); Shah Wah (Rajputana Rifles), Neraln Singh (Kumaons), Lt. Pritam Nath (Rajputana Rifles), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.) and Parbub Singh (Kumaons).

W. J. BRANCH LEADS ANNUAL SILVER KING GOLF TOURNAMENT

London, Apr. 20.

At Moorpark to-day, W. J. Branch, with scores of 70 and 66, aggregating 136, leads the field at the end of the second round in the Silver King Golf Tournament.

Other scores were:
Alfred Padgham 71 68=139.
Donald Curtis 74 65=139.
Ward 74 65=139.
Reg. Whitcombe 72 68=140.
Henry Cotton 73 71=144.
Charles Whitcombe 144.
Fifty-seven players with aggregates of 148 or better qualified for the final 36 holes to-morrow over the high course.
Abe Mitchell and Arthur Havers were among the notable non-qualifiers.—Reuter.

Favourite Wins Epsom Trial Stakes

London, Apr. 20. The Epsom Blue Riband Trial Stakes, over one mile and one furlong, resulted in a win for the 10/11 favourite Blue Peter, carrying 8 st. 2 lb. to-day. Diadoc, starting at 8/1 and carrying 8 st. 12 lb., was second, and Fairfax, starting at 20/1 and carrying 8 st. 12 lb., was third. Nine horses ran in the race. Four lengths separated first and second, and one and a half-lengths second and third. The Derby entries, Point Blank and Bellman, starting at 8/7, and Doublet Landaff and Heptarch, at 8/2, also ran. Course betting on the Derby before the race was 7/1 on Blue Peter taken.—Reuter.

Hockey

ENGLAND TO PLAY INDIA TO-DAY

Postponed from Wednesday, the International Hockey Tournament semi-final tie between England and India will be played to-day on the Royal Navy ground at King's Park. The winners will meet Portugal in the final on Sunday at 4 p.m. on the Club ground.

Both teams are very strongly represented and while England were fully extended against Scotland in the first round, they gave an excellent impression and stand a good chance of causing an upset by eliminating India, who were far from satisfying in the first round clash against China.

Following are to-day's teams:

England—Pte. Osman (R.A.O.C.); V. C. Bond (Club) and L/Edr. Carter (R.A.); Edr. Dillie (R.A.); Lt. Hook (R.A.); and E. Fowler (C.B.A.); S. A. Fowler (Club); E. R. A. Gemmel (Navy); G. H. Fowler (C.B.A.); Bdr. Marshall (R.A.) and L/Cpl. Dunne (Middlesex).

India—N. S. Sen Gupta (University); Datta Ram (Kumaons) and Gussain Singh (Kumaons).

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ERIC BOON BACK IN ENGLAND Keen To Make "Business" Trip To U. S. A.

London, Mar. 28. British light-weight champion Eric Boon and his inseparable companion Harry Silver, the Clifton feather-weight, were all smiles when greeted at Waterloo last evening on their arrival home from a four weeks' holiday in America.

Both boys are convinced that the easiest fights of their careers would be the conquering of the United States. They are sure that they could "clean up" on the other side of the Atlantic if only they were released from the managerial leash. Genial Jack Solomons, looking all the better for his vacation, beamed with delight as he listened to the chatter of his charges, and said that American enthusiasts had made idols of them.

"Silver boxed badly in his contest in Newark; he was too eager," declared Solomons, "yet the newspapers next day said he was an uncrowned champion."

INJURED HAND
Boon has been studying form in New York gymnasiums, and his impression is that there are few, if any, men of his weight on the other side of the Atlantic whom he could not beat.

Boon's joy was tempered by the knowledge that he is suffering from a fracture of the first knuckle of his right hand. This was revealed in an X-ray photograph taken in New York, and as a result the British champion has had to wear plaster of Paris on the damaged hand for a time.

"Offers from American and Canadian promoters both for Boon and Silver simply poured in while we were in New York," said Solomons, "and I think we shall be returning to America in a couple of months."

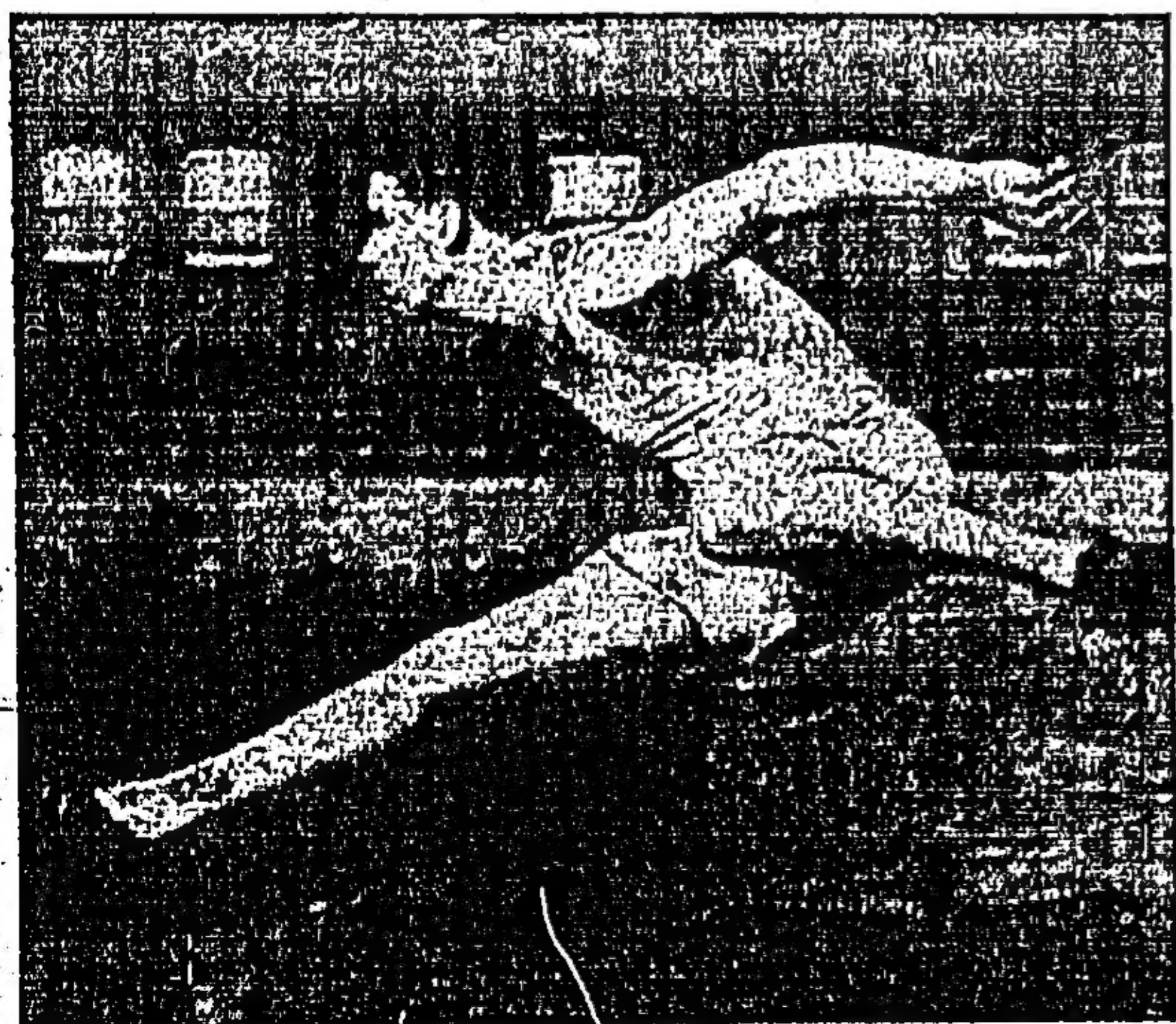
Silver already has a number of opponents fixed up for him, while Boon has been told that there is a big chance of meeting either Armstrong or Lou Ambers for the light-weight championship in the late summer.

Boon intends to rest at Chatteris before starting his five weeks' vaudeville tour.

DIAMOND LOST Visitor's Bad Luck In Central District

Somewhere in the streets of Hong-kong yesterday was lying a white brilliant diamond, dropped from a ring worn by Mrs. Fairweather, a visitor to the Colony from Australia, who is staying at the Peninsula Hotel. The stone is valued at £125.

Mrs. Fairweather reports that she travelled between the offices of the P. and O. Steamship Company, Jardine Matheson and Company and the Hongkong Hotel between 11 a.m. and noon. While at the Hongkong Hotel she noted that the stone was missing from its setting.



HURDLING STYLE as shown by one of the Cambridge athletes. Practice and skill more practice is the requisite of the hurdler. Speed, poise and rhythm combine to take the hurdler over the obstacles without ungainly stumbles and loss of stride. The action of the right knee in particular, as it crosses the top bar of a hurdle, demands much study in itself.



With Dorothy Lamour and Lloyd Nolan in the leading roles, Paramount's new romance, "St. Louis Blues," is now showing simultaneously at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres. Apart from the theme song, there are several other catchy tunes.

STARTING TIMES ANNOUNCED

Golf At Fanling During Week-end

The following are the starting times for Fanling during the week-end:

SATURDAY	
Old Course	
2.00	C. C. Black, R. H. Gregory.
2.04	Brig. Macleod, Major Johnstone.
SUNDAY	
Old Course	
9.10	H. N. Williamson, A. McKellar.
9.20	D. H. Hinks, A. D. Humphreys.
9.30	A. B. Purves, K. S. Morrison.
9.40	M. Gardin, C. A. L. Rickett.
9.50	L. H. Gault, G. M. Park.
10.00	D. J. Gilmore, R. Young.
10.10	I. H. C. Hisset, G. Riddell Carr.
10.20	A. N. & G. A. A. Macfarlane.
10.30	I. F. Phillips, R. G. Gray.
10.40	W. N. A. Smalley, W. S. Hillier.
10.50	R. C. Gault, L. C. Baker.
11.00	Col. Collin, Major Johnstone.
11.10	W. Cdr. Steele Perkins H. C. Mar-
11.20	11. S. Harrison, M. G. Carruthers.
11.30	L. M. Wylie, W. Hewitt.
11.40	I. N. S. Lloyd, G. C. Worrall.
11.50	J. B. Mackie, Lt. Cdr. Murray.
12.00	M. Pearson, J. W. Smyth.
12.10	G. R. Russell, D. A. O'Keeffe.
12.20	R. H. Gregory, R. K. Valentine.
12.30	E. T. McMullen, L. C. Pearce.
12.40	R. J. K. Walker, S. Widdup.
12.50	D. H. Clark, J. D. Danby.
13.00	C. W. E. Bishop, J. B. Dunnett.
13.10	P. C. Jackson, A. A. Bremner.
13.20	J. F. Robinson, F. A. M. Elliott.
New Course	
9.22	Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Hillier.
10.08	Mrs. Steele Perkins, Mrs. Margaret.
10.16	T. A. Pearce, F. D. Hunter.
10.28	Mrs. Russell, Mrs. O'Keeffe.

Hammond's Hope In Farewell

"As far as I am concerned, I hope this is the last timeless Test to be played between South Africa and England," declared Wally Hammond, England's captain, in a farewell message before leaving South Africa.

Hammond added that matches and tours between South Africa and England should be more frequent and he thought the Springboks team to tour England next year would be very strong.

His final words were about the wickets. "The grounds and wickets here are exceedingly good and that of the Wanderers is perhaps the best ground upon which I have ever played."

Probable Starters For 2,000 Guineas

London, Apr. 20. Following are the probable starters and jockeys for the 2,000 Guineas to be run over a mile at Newmarket on Wednesday—Fulham (Jones), High Peru (Richardson), Wheatland (T. Burns), Fairstone (Benny), Triguero (Barham), Signal Light (Pat Beasley), Control (Mohr), Tamworth (Perryman), Dispenser (Gordon Richards), Romeo II (Brethes), Llandaff (Lowrey), Morwell (Sam Wragg), His Highness (Crouch), Admiral's Walk (Hurry Wragg), Dhotti (Charlie Smirke), Polthen (Carrlake), Fairfax (Sibbritt), Blue Peter (E. Smith), Rogerstone Castle (Elliot), Atquennit (Gardiner), Chancery (J. Taylor), Casanova (Nevett), Hypnotist (Stephenson), Fox Cub (no jockey), Ramboda (no jockey), Fair Chance (no jockey), Lemanoue (no jockey), Diadoque (no jockey)—Reuter.

Mr. Henry E. Morris' Pasch won the 2,000 Guineas last year and was also successful in the Eclipse Stakes and, although starting as favourite in the Derby, was beaten by Bois Roussel, a French entry.

FLYING DOCTOR

Dakarsfield, Cal. Residents of the Mojave desert no longer worry about the great distances separating them from the nearest physician. All they have to do now is to call Dr. Thomas A. Drummond and he steps into his ambulance airplane and flies to their aid.

OUR SPELLING DEE (see note 7) rigorous—rhythmical—trychnine—ostentatious—mendacious—sid-dance

A Big Loss To Rugby In Scotland

Edinburgh, Mar. 27. R. W. Shaw, Glasgow High School (F.P.), has decided to retire from Rugby. The Evening Dispatch learns that Shaw has played his last game. Shaw first came into prominence as a member of the school team, and subsequently when he joined the F.P. club he developed into one of the finest three-quarters Scottish Rugby has produced for many years.

Although by no means a giant physically, he is one of the most fearless and determined tacklers in the game. Like the great player he is, however, he did not rely wholly on his defensive play for his success. He was equally outstanding as an attacking back, and it is perhaps in that capacity that he will best be remembered. His strong running, allied to a deceptive swerve, made him an opponent to be feared, and time and again he has won matches by his own effort because of the courageous manner in which he went through single-handed whenever the opportunity occurred.

Shaw, who has walked into every Scottish team since he was first honoured in 1934, has been remarkably free from accidents. For years controversy raged between rival schools of opinion as to whether his real position was centre, wing, or stand-off.

Shaw is by no means a veteran, but he had been in the thick of first class Rugby for some six years now, and in the past season or two he has found it more difficult than formerly to devote the time to the game which calls on his services demanded.

The Evening Dispatch understands that his brother, Ian Shaw, also intends retiring from the game. Glasgow Rugby, in fact, may be without other prominent players before the new season comes round. I. E. Wilkie, of Hillhead, has played his last game for Hillhead, and there is talk of members of other Glasgow teams also retiring.

Baseball

GIANTS LOSE TO DODGERS

New York, Apr. 20. The following are the results of matches played in the Baseball League to-day:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	0	3	1
Boston	2	0	0
New York	3	7	0
Brooklyn	5	9	1

Other matches postponed on account of rain.

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	7	9	1
Tigers	8	10	1

(14 innings were played).

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	0	7	2
New York	2	7	1
Washington	0	4	1
Philadelphia	2	0	0

St. Louis v. Cleveland postponed on account of rain.—United Press.

Badminton

RECREIO TEAM IN SHANGHAI

By winning two matches of three played this evening, Shanghai is leading Hongkong 3-2 in the badminton Inter-club between Club Lusitano and Recreio.

In the women's doubles Misses O. Ribeiro and Silva (Recreio) beat Miss H. C. Colloco and Mrs. A. S. Costa (Lusitano) 17-14, 16-5.

In the men's singles B. A. de Senna (Lusitano) beat M. Oliveira (Recreio) 15-9, 15-5.

In the women's singles Mrs. A. A. Remedios (Lusitano) beat Miss M. Xavier (Recreio) 8-11, 11-1, 11-3.

Two mixed doubles games to be played to-morrow will complete the series.—Reuter.

SPORT ADVTS

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27704) will close at 12 NOON.

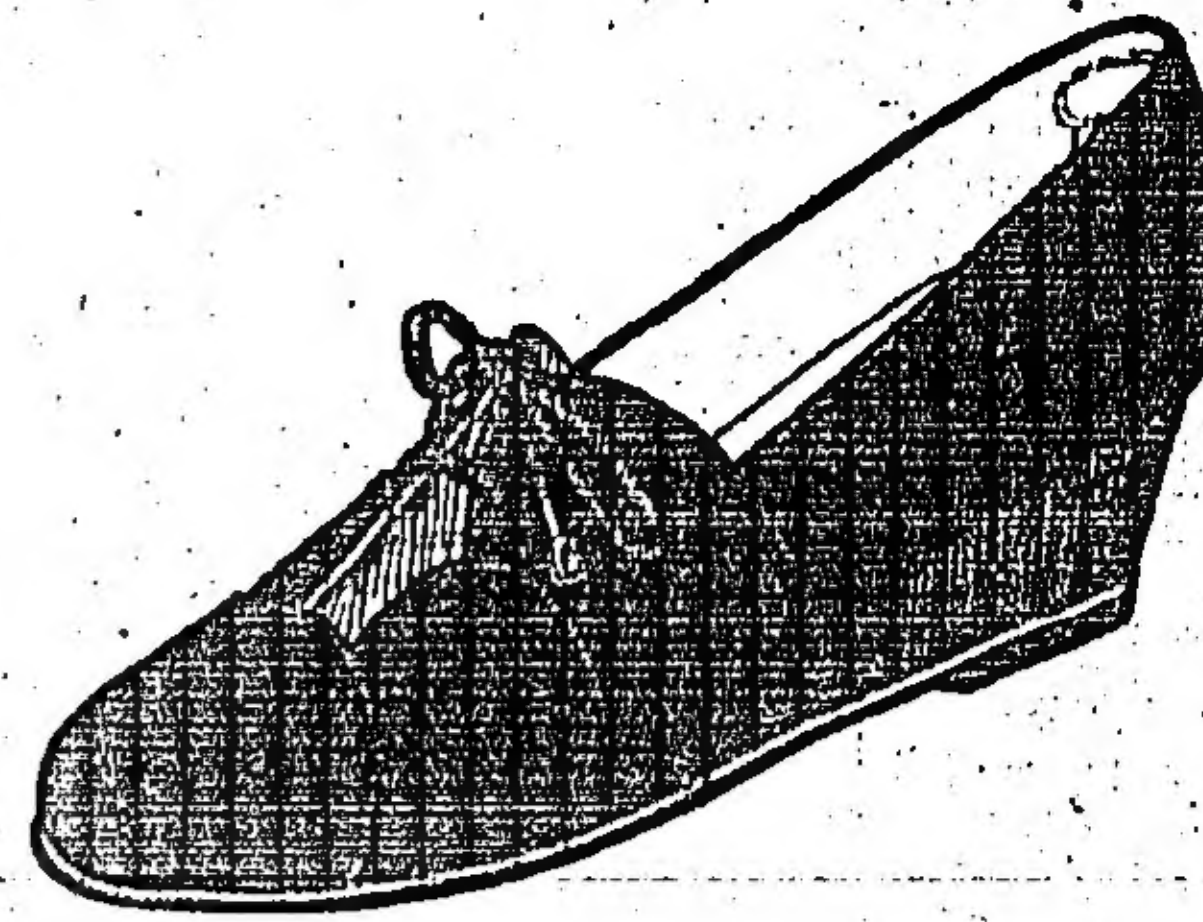
Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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To help you, study these diagram sketches of the types of hat which will suit each type of hair. If you go in for that softened roll (right), for instance, you can afford to try a smart severe sailor or Breton; if you wear your hair across the nape of your neck (bottom left) balance it with high pillboxes or deep bonnets. If you sweep it boldly back and up (bottom right) you can safely risk one of the more exaggerated and sophisticated new hat shapes.

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HEAT 1/2 pint milk and pour it over 4 ozs breadcrumbs and leave to soak. Then add 1 lb cooked, minced ham, 1 grated apple, and a little finely-chopped parsley. Season to taste, and stir in the well-beaten yolk of 1 egg.

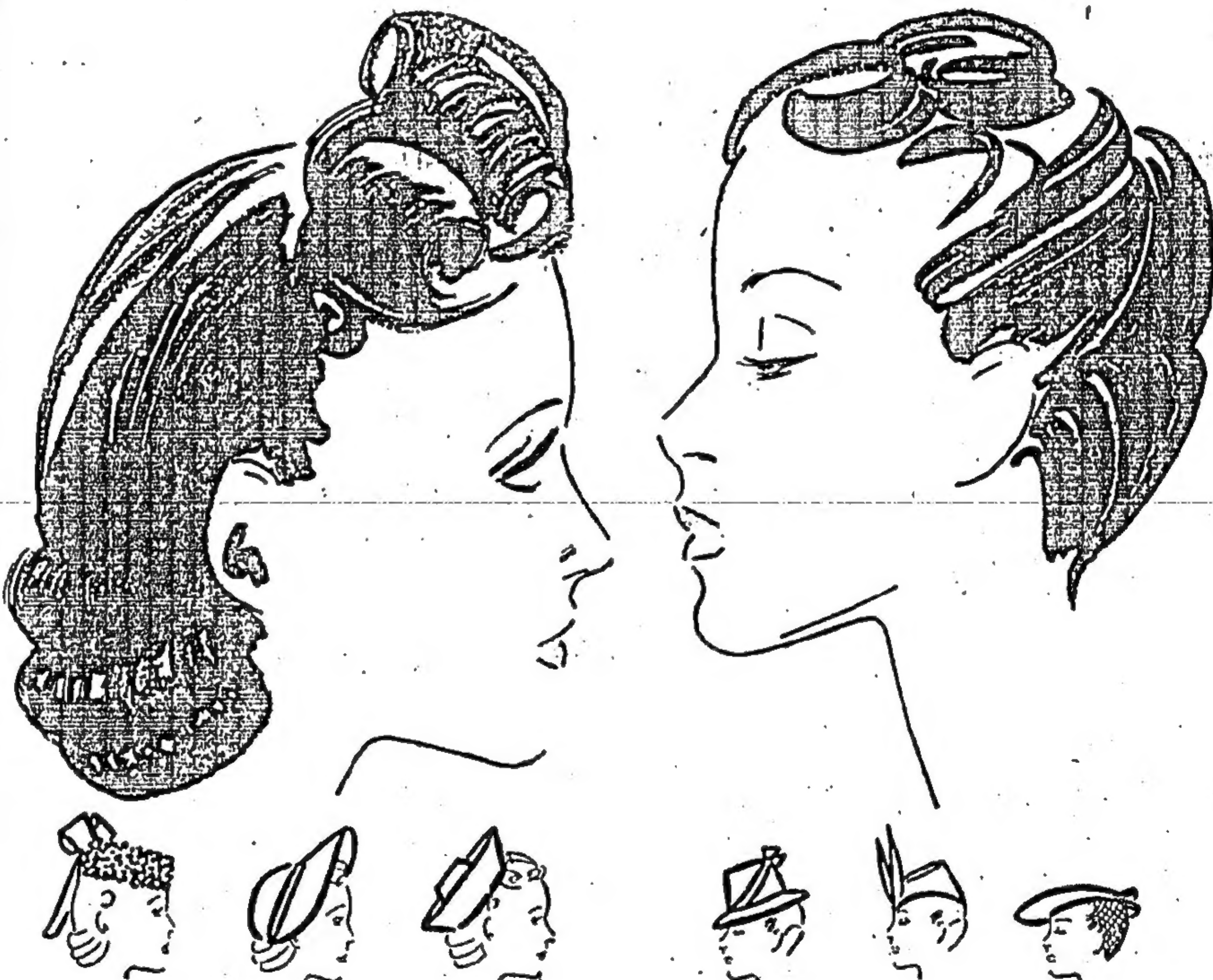
Mould the mixture into flat, round cakes, shaking in a little flour if too moist. Dip each rissole into the well-beaten white of egg, then into fine raspings, and fry in a golden brown on both sides.

Drain well and serve with gravy or tomato sauce.

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One of the softest, most becoming new hair styles is this way of sweeping the curls up and off your forehead, but softening the line by a long roll going down to the nape of your neck. Hats to top this are, from left to right: (1) A stiff boater. Smart, and its difficult line will be offset by your hair. (2) An upswept Breton—a lovely line, which will again be balanced by your hair roll. (3) A high-crowned, curving-brimmed felt—an easier-to-wear development of the Breton.



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If your profile is your best point, show it off by hair which is swept up all the way—up from your forehead, from your ears, from your nape. And wear the newest, most sophisticated hats. On the left a position high hat, with a cloche brim and cross-crown trimming. To be worn well forward. In the centre, a close-fitting brimless hat, with a crown which rises at the back, and two stiff quills which put up in front. On the right, a flattened beret, held on with a coarse fish-net cap, which takes in all your hair at the back.

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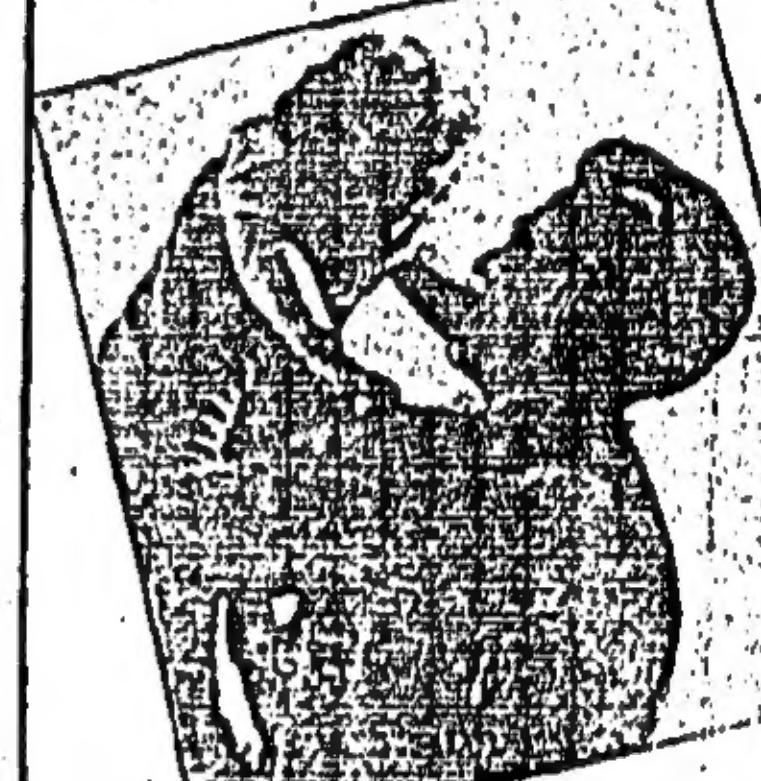


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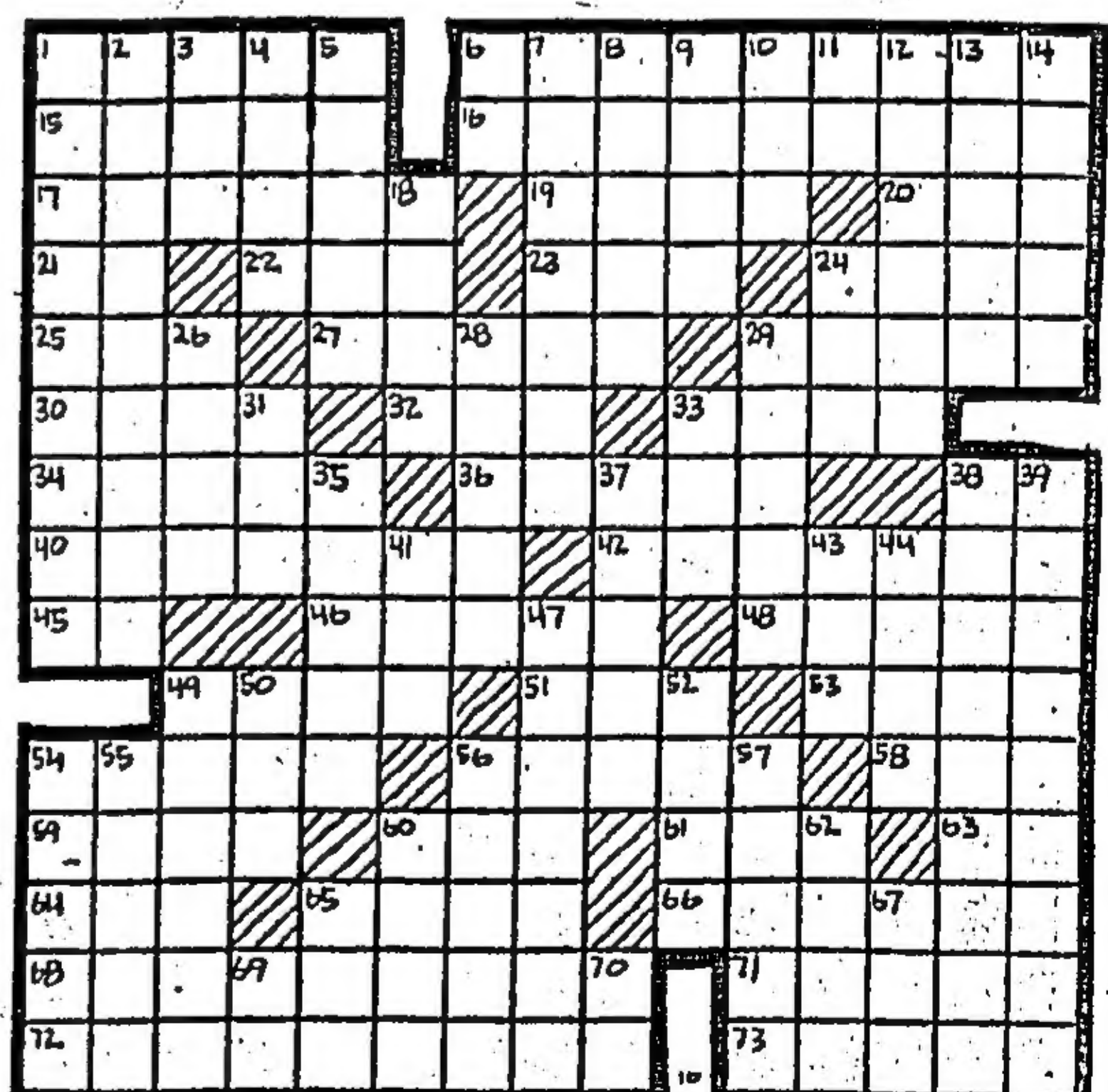
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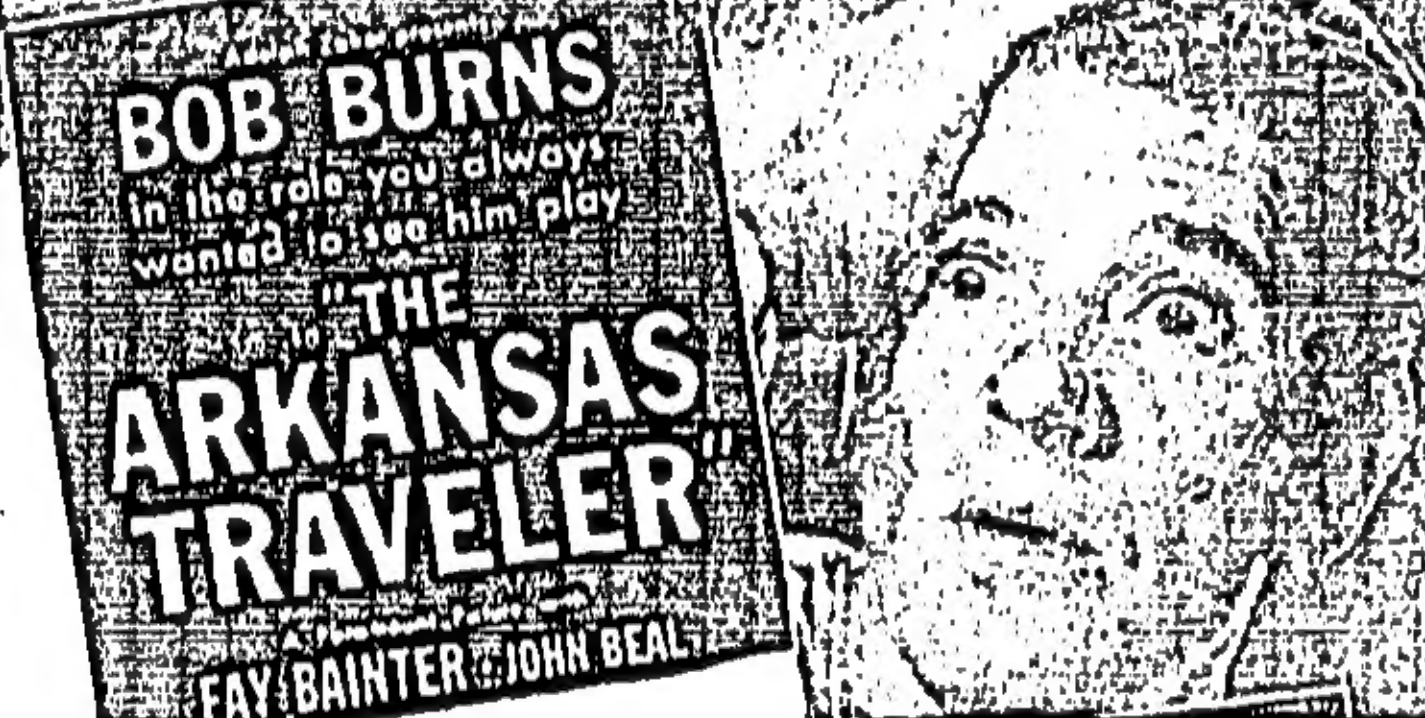
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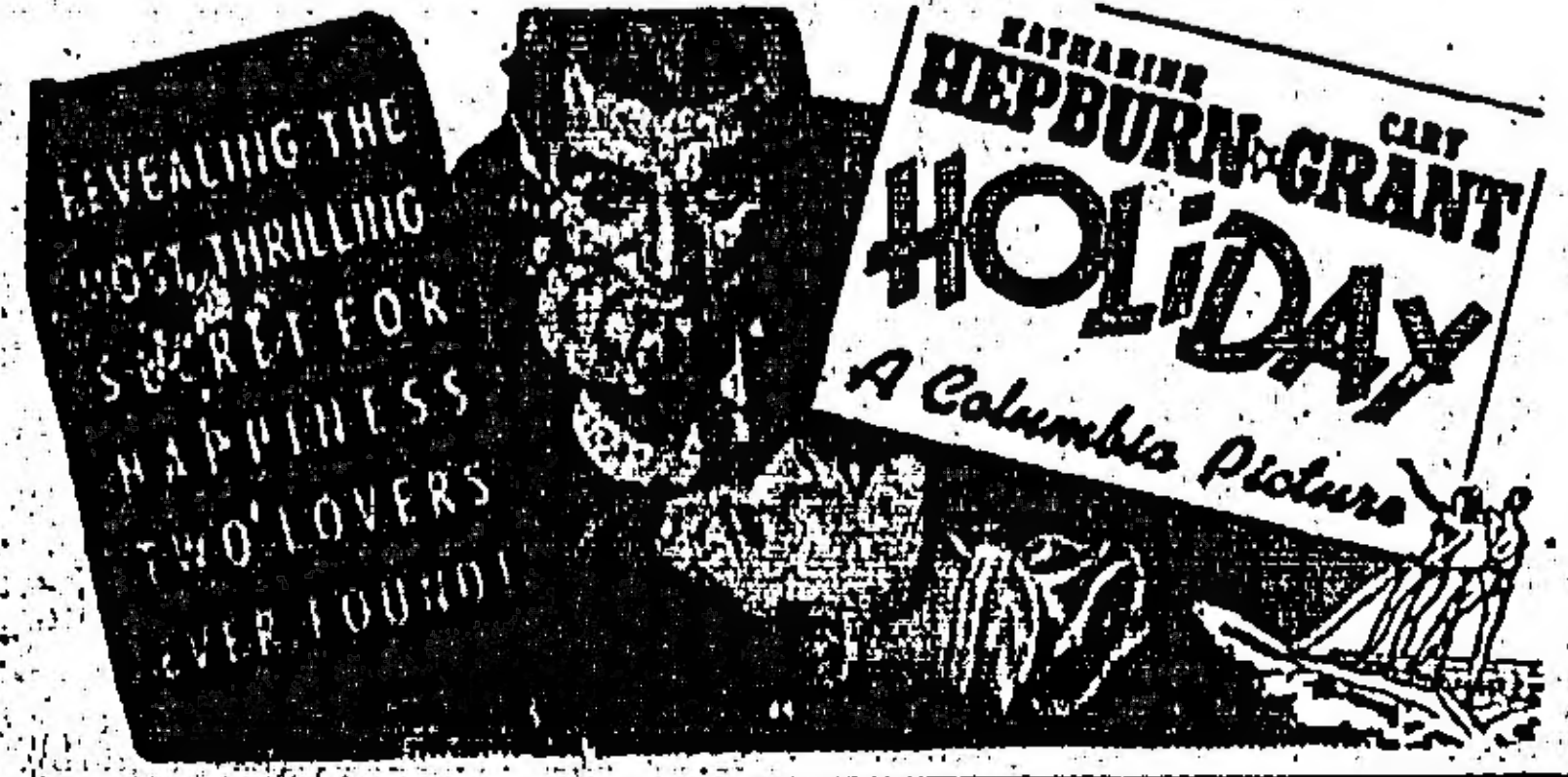
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Border Murder Drama Revealed In Vengeance Killing Case

MURDER, alleged by the Crown to be the outcome of a family feud, was the charge upon which Wong Kam-wan, 24, was arraigned before the Chief Justice Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions this morning. The incident occurred at Lokmachau on January 5, Wong Chung, 41, and Ng Cheung-leung, 37, husband and wife, being shot to death.

Mr. T. F. Lo, instructed by Mr. W. A. Brown, appeared for the accused, and Mr. J. Whyatt, Crown Counsel, prosecuted.

The jury were Messrs. V. J. da Motta (foreman), Ho Kam-sang, Chan Chu-kwong, Lee Kan-chung, Fung Chak-lan, Chung Pak-cheung and Cheng Fan.

Mr. Whyatt explained to the jury that though two people had been murdered, it was only necessary for the Crown to prosecute on the death of one of those people. Wong Kam-wan, he added, their 12-year-old son, had also been shot in the neck, the bullet missing the spinal chord by a very narrow margin. He had since recovered.

Border Hostilities

Wong Chung, he stated, was from Tak Tin Village, in Chinese territory. In consequence of the Japanese hostilities he had moved into Hong-kong, and had erected a makeshift in an open paddfield at San Ti. Other than the three members of the family who were shot, there was another son, Wong Cheuk, and a daughter, Wong Man-hui.

On January 5, the family went to bed between 7 and 8 p.m., Wong Chung remaining on his bed smoking opium. About 11 p.m. or midnight, the daughter was awakened by voices, and looking up saw two men sitting on stools facing her father. The two men were defendant and Wong Hoi-chai, who has since been arrested. She heard her father suggest that supper be taken, and then some time later heard one of the men say that they had bought two guns. She heard her father say to them that if they had money to buy guns they should pay him back \$100.

Saw Father Shot

About 2 a.m. the girl was again disturbed by noises in the makeshift, and saw her father being hustled out of the room by the two men. Her mother got up and was followed by Wong Kam, the small boy, into the kitchen. The girl then heard shots, and going to the kitchen saw her mother lying on the ground. Defendant and Wong Hoi-chai had guns in their hands. She saw the men fire four or five shots at her father, saw him fall, and then ran back to her room, where she hid in her bed, covered by the bedclothes.

The little boy, however, was not so fast and was shot through the neck. He managed to scramble under his father's bed, and from there called out to his sister that he had been shot. Later, hearing voices going away, the girl got from the bed, pulled her brother from under her father's bed, and they went to the assistance of her father. She helped him to a bed—his clothes were saturated with blood—and being without assistance, kept dreadful watch there through the remainder of the night until dawn, when she collapsed.

Message To Shumchun

At daybreak she sent a message over to Shumchun to her uncle, who soon came over and brought with him a Chinese doctor, who helped to stop the bleeding.

Report was made to the Police, and Sergeant Galvin set out to investigate. Wong Chung and Wong Kam, and the dead woman, were still lying there, the former, both living, but bleeding badly. They were transported to the Kowloon Hospital. Sergeant Galvin found two cupro-nickel bullets, a lead bullet and two cartridge cases. A sword was also found.

At the Kowloon Hospital Wong Chung was found to have a bullet wound right through his chest, entering the front and coming out the back, his left elbow had been completely shattered by a bullet, and a bullet had passed through the top of his skull and was lodged in the brain. He was then still living, but two days later died.

The boy's condition was not so serious, though the bullet had barely missed the spinal chord. His condition gradually improved and on January 20 he was discharged.

Burned With Cordite

The deceased woman had a bullet wound right through the head, the entrance mark being burned black by the exploding cordite.

On March 19, defendant was seen by a detective in Yau-mat, was arrested, and was charged with the murder of the woman and the man.

In answer he said that when he was two years of age, his father had gone with Wong Chung and Wong Choi to Germany. Wong Chung had borrowed £10 from his father, and this debt gave rise to a quarrel in which blows were exchanged. Wong Chung then went to buy a gun with which to kill defendant's father.

Wong Choi's son, the man who had not been arrested, and who (defendant) were on good terms. When Wong Choi was dying, he told defendant that his father had not died from natural causes, but had been killed by Wong Chung.

Defendant's statement in the Magistrate's Court for failing to stop after a collision, and with driving without due care and caution on April 1.

Traffic-sergeant W. T. Sargent said Dr. Shimokawa was driving a car along Queen's Road Central when he apparently collided with a man who was walking in the same direction, close to the Hongkong Bank car park. Dr. Shimokawa continued on his way and parked his car in Jackson Road. The accident was never reported to the police.

The only thing the injured man could remember, said the sergeant, was that he was knocked down from behind, and then he became unconscious. A medical report stated that the man will be in hospital for at least another month.

Sub-inspector A. Armit said there were no actual witnesses of the accident. In answer to the summons, Dr. Shimokawa said he was not aware there had been an accident. He was driving the car very carefully at the time.

Hearing of the case was then adjourned until Friday, May 19.

Social Items

The wedding took place before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, at the Registry yesterday, between Mr. Tong Tai-ko, clerk of Y. P. Tobacco Distributors Ltd., and Miss Ho Choi-kwai, who has been residing at the Luk Tung Hotel. The witnesses were Mrs. Leung Fung-shi and Mr. Tong Chun-chung.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Vincent Hubert Charles Jarrett, assistant editor, South China Morning Post, to Miss Ethel Ruth Wennech Smeby, of 23 Penk Mansions; Captain Francis James Wylie, M.N., of 2 Thorpe Mansions, May Road, to Miss Pamela Dorothy Barrow, of 14 Portman Mansions, London, W.1., who is en route to the Colony on the Ranchi; and Mr. Harold Wilson Brown, engineer, to Miss Constance Una Mitchell, of 3 Austin Avenue, Kowloon.

The wedding took place recently at St. George's Church, Penang, of Mr. Arthur Charles Buckle, only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Buckle of Surrey, England, and Miss Edry's Daphne Lupprian, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. V. Lupprian of Penang. The bridegroom is Secretary of Kennedy, Burkill and Co. Ltd., Penang.

A quiet wedding took place at Chiswick Methodist Church on April 6 of Miss Kathleen Crook, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Crook, formerly of Hongkong and now of Shanghai, to Mr. John Saxton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Saxton, of Old Sawley, North. Mr. Crook was formerly Headmaster of Queen's College, Hongkong, and a well-known natural historian and tennis player.

Gila Monster Bites Boy

Castra Valley, Cal. Jackie Howell, 12, looked down between two rocks and saw what to all appearances was a woman's purse. He reached down to pick up the "purse" and it bit him. It developed that it was a Gila monster, 19 inches long, one of the largest of its kind. However, the purse idea still persisted, and after killing the monster with stones, he skinned it and took the time to have a purse made for his mother.

Lump Of Skin Is Grizzly Court Exhibit

Japanese Doctor Is Summoned

A piece of human skin, a foot long and five inches wide, was the somewhat grizzly exhibit in a case at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Court spectators' blood curdled still more when Sub-inspector W. Armit said the skin came off a man's arm and was found resting on the handle of a car after an accident in Queen's Road Central.

The case concerned the summoning of Dr. M. Shimokawa of the Gloucester Building for failing to stop after a collision, and with driving without due care and caution on April 1.

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Boy Gives His Arm For Dove

Thirteen-year-old Bob Wilson was indignant when he found that some of his boy friends had a nest with a tiny dove in it. For they had taken it from a tree-top in Whitmore Square, Adelaide, South Australia.

There was a scuffle. Finally Bob secured the nest with the fledgling still in it and climbed twenty feet to replace it on the tree-top. A branch broke and he fell to the ground, breaking his left arm. And now the arm has had to be amputated to prevent the spread of infection.

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Shopkeeper Not Fooled By Forged Letter

Before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Wong Wing-nuen, Ng Tsai, and Chan Yee, a woman were charged with attempting to obtain money by false pretences and conspiracy to defraud. They denied the charges.

Detective-Sergeant R. Macvey said that a few days ago, a shop-keeper, Lui Pak-yuen, received a letter purporting to have been written by his cousin in Macao, and which contained a request that money was to be handed to a man named Chan Kwai-hung, who would call for it.

All defendants were convicted. Wong and Ng were sentenced to three months' hard labour on each count, and the woman received sentence of six months' hard labour on each count, as she had two previous convictions. All the sentences are to run concurrently.

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